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Crumbs of Comfort

He that endures with patience is a conqueror. It may be hard to work, but it is harder to

More people are slain by suppers than by the

There is no beast so savage but it sports with

A few minutes fore-talk may save years of after-talk.

A headstrong man and a fool may wear the

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey Where wealth accumulates and men deca

Laziness travels so slowly that poverty soon

He that needs looking after is not worth looking after.

When you obey your superior, you instruct your inferior.

A baby is an angel whose wings decrease as its legs increase.

The truest end of life is to know the life

A little explained, a little endured, A little forgiven, the quarrel is cured.—Wesley.

The sky is not less blue because the blind man does not see it.

Keep your eyes wide open before marriage and half shut after. No one should live in the world who has

The charitable give out at the door and God puts in at the window.

Better be ill-spoken of by one before all, than by all before one.

If you leap into a well, Providence is not bound to help you out.

He who takes the child by the hand takes the mother by the heart.

It is easier to preserve a friend than to re-cover him when he is lost,

You won't have much time to spare if you use what you have properly.

Be slow to believe an evil report, and be sure it is true before repeating it.

It is a good horse that never stumbles, and a good wife who never grumbles.

He who loses money loses much; he who loses a friend loses more; but he who loses his spirits loses most.

Current Topics

Mylius Erichsen, who headed the Danish exploring expedition to Greenland, which sailed in June, 1906, perished upon an ice-floe, with two companions, last spring or early summer.

An improved apparatus has been made by Dr. Fritz Lang of Munich by which the inside of the stomach can be clearly photographed. The camera is actually swallowed by the options.

The most remarkable burglar-proof safe in the world has just been placed in a bank at Newburg Island. At night the safe is lowered by cables into an impregnable metallic-lined sub-vault of masonry and concrete.

A Danish expedition has gone to Greenland to put the 10,000 Eskimos, who live on the southwest coast, in the way of earning a better living. It is hoped to open new branches of industry for them.

Old-age Pensions will become operative in Great Britain January 1, 1909, through a bill which was passed by Parliament just before the adjournment for the summer vacation.

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Miss Evelyn Longman has won a \$14,000 commission by her design for the bronze door for the

chapel of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. There were 33 men among those competing for the work. The "Winged Victory" that surmounted the dome of Festival Hall at the Louisiana Exposition was made by Miss Longman.

In the recent death of Ira D. Sankey, the Protestant denominations throughout the En-lish speaking world are mourning their loss. It is said he wrote the hymns of the world. In China, Egypt, India, Japan, in almost every language known to man Sankey's hymns are sung. The "Ninety and Nine," and "When the Mists Have Rolled Away," have touched the hearts of many and will be remembered and sung when the author is forgotten.

Two More Wheel Chairs Given by COMFORT Since Last Month

Our subscribers are still lifting in support of COMFORT'S Wheel Chair Club with the

Our subscribers are still lifting in support of COMFORT'S Wheel Chair Club with the result that they have earned, through the subscriptions which they have sent in since our September number went to press, two more Wheel Chairs, and we have ordered them sent from the factory to Emma Gerbach, Newburg, Wis., and Rhoda Kneppe, Vandalia, Ind.

This great charity work is progressing and the interest seems to be increasing, but not so rapidly as I would like. It does me so much good to read the kind letters which accompany these subscriptions to the Wheel Chair Club that if I had the space to spare I would like to publish all of them. As that is impossible I will print the following few as fair

On another page you will see the picture of Lizzie Brooks of Berryville, Arkansas, whose touching letter of heartfelt thanks appeared in September COMFORT. The picture shows her seated in her new COMFORT Wheel Chair. This has given her the first glimpse of the outside world and the first breath of fresh air in nineteen long suffering years.

work.

My boy spends many happy hours in his wheel chair, and
through your generous offer I hope all the Shut-ins will be
supplied with these blessings. You surely will be rewarded.
Prosperity and happiness to you. Sincerely.

MRS. HARRY HIPPLE.

A Club of Nine from an Old Subscriber to Dear Old COMFORT

Dear Old COMFORT

Houston, Texas, Aug. 25, 1908.

MR. W. H. GANNETT, Augusta, Ms:
Dear Sir-Inclosed herewith I hand you P. O. money order for \$1.60 with request that you apply it to the Wheel Chair Fund.
Ido hope these few subscriptions will be the means of helping some poor invalid to get and enjoy a chair. The purpose is certainly a laudable one, and very few will refuse so small an amount if the purpose is explained to them.
Wishing dear old GOMFORT continued success. I remain as ever, an old subscriber.

MRS. B. D. BROWAN.

Would rather do without all Other Papers Than Without COMFORT. Sends \$1.00 to give Four Subscriptions to her Friends and renew her own for Benefit of Wheel Chair Club.

d. and may God bless you in your noble work is the prayer ne who has been a great sufferer. MRS, BELLE M. WESTON.

God Bless the Shut-ins

MR. W. H. GANNETT:

Dear Sir—Please find inclosed money order for \$1.00 for five new subscriptions to COMFORT to be credited to the Wheel Chair Club.

Wheel Chair Club.

God love and bless the Shut-ins is my prayer.

MRS. C. M. COVAULT.

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Cape Girardeau, R. D. I, Mo., Aug. 15, 1908.

MY DEAR MR. GANNETT:
How I do enjoy your kindness. I can't explain in words
how pleased I am with your excellent work. You are doing
such a great, good deed for the deer Shut-ins. I have taken
the liberty myself to send you twenty cents for one year's subscription to COMFORT for a friand, which is to be credited
to the invalids wheel chair club. She is a dear little girl of
eighteen years of ags. In poor health nearly all the time,
Mer mother is a widow with four children and their money is
limited so I will send money for COMFORT for her as I know
she loves to read and COMFORT is my choice paper. This I

A Ten Dollar Jubscription Club Raised by the Mother of a Wheel Chair Shut-in Astoria, Long Island. N. Y., Sept. 7, 1908.

MR. W. H. GANNETT, Publisher COMFORT:

Dear-Sir-lam sanding a list of forty-sight wardy and one control of the control of th

A Lady Shut-in works nobly and raises a Club of Five

Thermopolis, Wyo., Aug. 13, 1908.

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Dear-Editor—I am sending five new subscriptions and I fant the dollar to go to the wheel-chair club. I have been a right of the club. Wishing you good luck in your good fork. I remain yours truly.

MRS. R. O. FERGUSON.

P. S. I have taken the COMFORT for three years. I will end all the subscribers I can.

Says Everybody thinks the Wheel Chair Club is a Splendid Thing Stafford, Box 3, Pa., Aug. 21, 1908.

Strafford, Box 3, Pa., Aug. 21, 1998.

BR. W. H. GANNETT:

Dear Sir—inclosed please find 25 cents to be given to Delsia D. Simpson. It is not much but if I were able it would be more. I would love to help everyone of the shut-ins if possible. I also inclose 25 cents for one year's subscription to GMFORT for a friend. I think for yone does that the Wheel get the number of subscribers that joy and comfort to the dear shut-ins, for it is hard to be kept in where you cannot see the beautiful world will inclose a stamped envelope as I would like to know if you except you and that you may like long in this world to comfort others, I remain respectfully.

MRS. E. C. LEWIS.

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Thinks COMFORT is a Grand Paper and sends Five Jubscriptions

Waelder, Texas, Aug. 13, 1908.

I am a subscriber of COMFORT and I think it a grand paper, I am interested in your noble work in the behalf of those poor shut-ins. I want to help some shut-in gain a wheel chair so I am sending live one-year subscribers to be credited to the Wheel Chair Club., Inclosed find one dollar postal order.

Yours truly.

MRS. MARY GRAY.

Jenda Six New Subscriptions for Blessed COMFORT GOMFORT, Augusta, Maine:

GOMFORT, Augusta, Maine:
Dear Editor-inclosed you will find six new subscribers for your bleased COMFORT. I fully realize the good work you are doing with the aid of your large staff of GOMFORT readers. I wish everyone would be interested enough in the good work to get you a few more new readers to help the wheel chair cases; it is a noble work and ene to be proud of. Piease credit these to the Wheel-chair fund. I will try and get another club for you. Please put my name in the post-card list. Yours respectfully.

BESSIE HAIR.

Five Subscriptions and Best Wishes for the Noble Work

Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 16, 1908.

MR. W. H. GANNETT:

Dear Sir—Find inclosed five subscribers for COMFORTS paper and \$1.00. Please be sure to count these COMFORTS for a wheel chair for some worthy and needy shut-in. I hope the good work may continue. I am interested in the work and will try and do more and get these new subs. to do some good in the work. I am, Yours respectfully.

MRS. A. T. LAMB.

You may make your house burglar-proof, The Good Old Songs We All Love but not liar proof.

"Suwanee Ribber"

"Way down upon the Suwanee Ribber, Fax, far away, Dere's wha' my heart is turnin' ebber, Dere's wha' turnin' my heart is turnin' ebber, Dere's wha' my heart is turnin' ebber, Dere's what is great fidelity to nature—his allad was eer the sity of the Suwanee river is fyield the man of the Story my heart is my written in the my heart is my heart is my written in the my heart is my

When Mother Gets Her Vote

BY CHARLES NOEL DOUGLAS (Uncle Charlie)

Ma's talking woman suffrage, and with vigor she de-Ma's talking woman suffrage, and with vigor she declares.

Men you can't trust, and women must, direct the state's affairs.

The day has come when graft and rum, must vanish from the land,

Ma says, you'll own, women alone, can take that job in hand.

Some candidate, that's real first-rate, she hopes that they will pick.

For the candy-date that she last ate, just made her deathly sick.

So Ma will mix in politics, and you can just take note, There'll be a storm of fierce reform, when Mother gets her vote.

When Mother gets her vote, she says, a change there's going to be
The men, and not the women, at the washtub then you'll see.
They'll scour the clothes, and darn the hose, and nurse the baby nights.
While Ma attends conventions, and sticks up for women's rights.
The men must make the dresses, take the baby out to air. see little John has buttons on the pants, he's going to wear.

Stoves, pots and pans, ain't in Ma's plans, Dad's in a pretty boat.

I say again, God help the men, when Mother gets her vote.

When Mother gets her vote, they say, saloons will have When Mother gets her vote, they say, saloons will have to go,
It's certain, then, no liquor men, their heads will dare to show,
When Dad's home late, with wobbly gait, and thirst you can't appease
He'll cut out swears, and walk up-stairs, not crawl on hands and knees.
She'll have a clause put in the laws, tho' Dad says it's absurd.
That she can chin, when rows begin, while he can't say a word.
She'll ask the state to amputate, the whiskers round Dad's throat.
Something will drop on poor old Pop, when Mother gets her vote.

When Mother gets her vote, she says, the men will all turn pule.

For those who smoke or chew, or joke, she'lle pack them off to jail,

She'll ask the state to legislate, no matter what oc-

She'll ask the state to legislate, no matter what occurs,
To lock up those, who poke their mose into affairs of hers.
Those gossips who, talk all day through, at them she fiercely strikes,
Laws will be sprung to stop their tongues, though she'll talk all she likes.
Those who spread lies, and criticise Ma's hat, and Sunday coat,
Will be behind the bars, you'll find, when Mother gets her vote.

When Mother gets her vote, she says, the world to rights she'll put,
And then she'll rise to emphasize her views, and stamp her foot.
And as she bangs her foot down hard, it hits Dad's orn, yell,—his language—well, beats all were born.
were born.
te'' while Pa sits mute, scorn flash-Ma echoes 'brute' while Pa sits mute, scorn flashing from his eyes,
Then with a sneer, Dad says, 'See here, you think
you're awful wise,
But of politics, and such like tricks, you know less
than a goat.'
Dad's got to run, or draw a gun, when Mother gets
her vote.

When Mother gets her vote, there'll be a barrel full when Mother gets her vote, there'll be a barrel full of fun;
For President, it's her intent to vote for Washington, Though she and Aunt did favor Grant, Ma goes on to explain,
George couldn't lie, and that is why, he ought to run again.
But Ma's been told, he's getting old and what makes her despair,
He's no mustache, and she'll be smashed, if she quite likes his hair.
So 'lection time, bet every dime, that George is on the shelf,
And please take note, when Mother votes, she'll just vote for herself.

the bright plumed birds in the thickets chirp it in their soft musical notes, and the crickets and katydids, in their twilight chirrups, join in the half-heard chorus.

Here, indeed, were the "old folks at home"—a white-haired darkey sitting on a log by the cabin door, stripping corn; and shambling about among the pigs and poultry, old Dinah, with a yellow bandanna on her silver locks, crooning some familiar song. Yes, it was real, and the sumy peace and beauty of it all were just what fitted well with the sentiment of that touching and tender air which has gone all over the world, because it holds in its unaffected music the secret of the pathetic and retrospect of life.

The hopeless sufferer returned to his childhood scenes at Pittsburg where he died in 1853, and lies entombed in Alleghany cemetery. By his request, his body was lowered into the grave to the sound of his favorite song, "Old Folks at Home."

The Biter Bitten

APPLIED last year for a school in the country where I live. It lacked only three days of the time for hiring the teacher when I got my certificate entitling me to teach. L., I. and J. were the trustees, so I went up to see them and said: "I want to teach you; but we have promised C. that we would hire him. If we had any way of getting out of it, we would hire you." Seeing a chance to oust C. I said: "His reputation as a teacher isn't good. He is lazy in his schoolwork." "if you can prove what you have stated," they replied, "you are the man," whereupon I told them that I could furnish any kind of proof they asked for. I nen they said: "You get a statement of the proceedings at his school last year, and if it is as you have said, we will be satisfied. The statement must be signed by two of the trustees."

I went about ten miles to where he had taught the year before. When I got there, I had no trouble in getting the first trustee to sign the statement, but the other man, Mr. J. B., whom I wished to see had moved out of the country. I went to the third but he would not have anything to do with it. If I returned with the statement not properly signed, it would be thought I had made a false report. As I was riding slowly along meditating on what would be the thing to do, I met a man. I knew from his looks that he wanted money any way he could get it, so I said, "Hello! your name is Mr. J. B., isn't it? I have brought you that five dollars I had made a false report. As I was riding slowly along meditating on what would be the thing to do, I met a man. I knew from his looks that he wanted money any way he could get it, so I said, "Hello! your name is Mr. J. B., isn't it? I have brought you that five dollars I have any and I came down to see if I could find him." After talking a few minutes, I produced my paper and asked him to sign if. As you can see, it was "Sign or give me back my money." He signed and I went on my way rejoicing.

On arriving home, I learned that the trustees L., I and J. had gone back on their wor

money. The signed and I went on any joicing.
On arriving home, I learned that the trustees L., I. and J. had gone back on their word and had hired C. to teach the school after all.
So I was out five dollars, had had a hard day's ride, had caused a man to tell a lie, all to no purpose. That is what comes of trying to injure another by trickery.

Saulsberry, Ky.

Saulsberry, Ky.

A Few Words by the Editor

balmy May, which ushers in the splendor of summer, and that of gorgeous October in whose gold and crimson robes expiring Nature decks herself ere taking on the death sleep of winter under a coverlet of glistening snow. That she does not die without a struggle is manifest in the short, delightful Indian summer coming after the first chill touch of winter. 'Tis the twilight of the year with the ruddy hues, in which the summer sunset glows.

Upon the farm the most strenuous labors of the year are over, giving sufficient respite to enjoy the fireside, which becomes so attractive these long cool evenings, and to resume the careful perusal of books, magazines and papers which had to be neglected under pressure of ceaseless toil from seedtime to harvest. But the harvest is gathered and the farmer's purse bulges with the reward of honest toil while contentment fills his heart, happy that he has the means to supply himself and family not only with the necessaries but even with many of the luxuries of life.

With the progress of civilization and the increased productiveness of labor through the application of scientific discovery and the invention of labor-saving machinery the means and the standard of living are continually advancing and what was a luxury of yesterday is regarded as a necessity of today.

The prosperity of the entire country ultimately depends on the inclination and ability of the farmers to purchase liberally what they require. Not only do they raise the crops that feed the world, but by spending the money which they receive for their crops they keep the wheels of industry in motion and the current of commerce in constant activity. While it is the duty of everyone to try to lay by something from each year's income against a rainy day and to provide for old age, there is no more useless or contemptible member of the community than the miser who accumulates money by depriving himself or his family of the comforts and small luxuries within his means and appropriate to his station in life. He starves and impoverishes his own mind and soul and is an obstacle in the path of prosperity and civilization.

If all were misers, strange as it may seem, the whole world would be poor. Most of the factories would have to go out of business because the market would be overstocked with goods, and the millions of people employed in manufacturing and in the industrial arts would be permanently thrown out of employment, and deprived of the means of buying the products of the farm. Such a condition would bring on perpetual hard times and an ultimate relapse into barbarism.

The essential difference between civilization and barbarism is measured by the extent to which the people by means of labor-saving machinery and the employment of scientific methods are able to supply themselves with the luxuries. The savage, like the miser, has the necessaries, but only the highly civilized man can command or can appreciate the

The Inxuries educate and elevate-feed and broaden the mind and soul. To such a high standard has our present day civilization attained that a large and constantly increasing world is employed in producing the so-called luxuries. Just no labor or expense in our effort to make it so.

CTOBER is here in all its autumnal glory. It is the scare of threatened hard times will bring them on by hard to choose between the beauty of mild and frightening the people into economizing by cutting off the FORT ever issued, 36 big pages brim full of the best and purchase of luxuries and thereby throwing thousands of indusmeans to purchase even the necessaries of life.

What the farmers of this great nation spend for luxuries benefits them directly in three ways: First, by the benefit received from the article purchased; second, by sustaining the market for farm products; third, keeping up the market price of farm products through the increased ability of industrial workers to command and consume farm products.

The hard times are over. General prosperity is returning and spreading over the land, and there is no one thing that can do more to hasten it along than for the farmers generally to indulge in the luxuries with a liberality proportionate to

The more you buy, the more you will sell and the better prices you will get. It you do not feel the immediate beneficial results now, you will realize it next season when the money which you spend now has had time to work its helpful course through the intricate channels of industry and commerce.

In the advertising columns of COMFORT each month may be found many useful and ornamental articles offered for sale which it is good for those who can afford them to possess, and such as your local market does not supply. It is well known to business men that COMFORT'S readers as a whole are intelligent, thrifty and progessive, and therefore good and discriminate buyers of good things. For this reason many of the most progressive and reliable business houses advertise in COMFORT. It is no small advantage to such of COM-FORT'S subscribers as live in the rural sections (as most of them do) thus to be put in touch with the larger markets, kept informed in regard to new and desirable goods, and enabled to purchase what they like by mail order.

We never allow any fake article or unreliable business concern to be advertised in COMFORT, if we know it, and for the protection of our readers and in the interest of honest advertisers we would be pleased to be informed of any case of unfair dealing on the part of any business concern which advertises in COMFORT. Our experience has been that such complaints are few and far between.

Many of our first year subscribers have staid with us through the twenty-one years of COMFORT'S life, and very many more of our present subscribers have been with us for years. This means that COMFORT fills the bill, just suits them.

Reasoning from the same analogy, the fact that many of our advertisers either run their advertisements month after month or during certain months year after year proves that they must be giving good values, for otherwise their business would soon decline to such an extent that their advertisement would not pay for itself.

OVEMBER is of especial interest to us this year as it brings to us the twenty-first anniversary of COM-FORT'S birthday, which we celebrate next month by the issue of a special Jubilee-Souvenir number that will be of extraordinary interest to our millions of readers, proportion of the capital is invested and of the labor of the as we have been at work on it for months past and have spared

greatest variety of interesting matter that we could find. On trial producers out of employment and depriving them of the another page you will find a further description of it. The covers will be of tinted paper and the title page will be ornamented with a beautiful emblematic souvenir design illustrative of the mission and achievements of COMFORT. In the fullest sense of the word it will be a souvenir number which you will not only read through and through, but will want to put away and keep as a souvenir, for, in addition to all that COMFORT usually presents, it will contain six selected stunning short stories complete, and the first installment of a thrilling and romantic serial story as good as any ever printed in COMFORT, also an introduction to our publisher's interesting family and beautiful country home and a short tour through the capital city of Maine, all so profusely illustrated by pictures that you will almost feel that you have actually made the long journey and called in person.

> In spite of all our warnings many of our subscribers are tardy about renewing their subscriptions and so miss a number of COMFORT, and when they do renew a month later after discovering that their COMFORT has stopped coming they feel grieved that we cannot send them the missing number. We supply no back numbers. We can't, because we don't have them. It is hard to make people understand that we drop from our list all expired subscriptions. We have to. The law

A lot of subscriptions expire with this present month of October and I should be very sorry to have any of you miss this most valuable and interesting Jubilee-Souvenir November number by failing to renew promptly; but if you do miss it, it will be your own fault as our publisher has had a buff envelope folder subscription blank wrapped in every copy sent this month to those whose subscriptions are expiring. The November Souvenir number will contain many other special features of absorbing interest. You need COMFORT the coming year and COMFORT wants your help. Why not renew today, now, if you find the buff envelope folder subscription blank wrapped in this paper?

LEASE also do not forget the great work which COMFORT is doing for the relief of the poor destitute shut-ins. On another page we announce the bestowal of two more invalid's wheel chairs by COM-FORT. We would like, with your help, to make the distribution of a large number of these wheel chairs a marked feature of our birthday celebration. Everybody will want to have a copy of this exceptionally interesting souvenir number as it is worth the price of a year's subscription in itself, and will be glad to subscribe for six months or a year to begin with the souvenir number, if it is explained to them. Will you not kindly help out on this part of COMFORT'S birthday celebration by getting and sending us at least one new subscription to be credited to COMFORT'S Wheel Chair Club? While we are celebrating with rejoicing and thanksgiving we want to help to make others happy and give thanks.

Comfort's Editor.

Some Stories Told on the Stoop

Campaign Expenses

"Speaking of what it costs to run a Presidential campaign." said a political looking party, "you people don't know anything about it it you have been up against it. If it costs the party, "you people don't know anything about it. If you people don't know anything about a money to some extent. But a presidential campaign is the real thing. Now at the 1908 election there will be between 4d and 15 million votes cast by the two leading parties, if you have any one of the parties are campaign committee and a people and a point it is a big item, and from five to seven thousand letters a day are received, most of which have to be answered, be sides new ones to be written and the piles a proper promouncation of the name of that of the parties. The other is as much or more if it can raise the money. Then there are chiefs and clears of all kinds to lire, and they are all and clears of all kinds to lire, and they are all and clears of all kinds to lire, and they are all and clears of all kinds to lire, and they are a people and a lot are employed at \$100 a week and expense. As many as 1000 speakers are should be anything about the earned the proper promunication to have a so that the campaign was hot. The oratory in one campaign will cost \$2,000,000. Thou sands of dollars go to parades, fireworks and that sort of enthusiasm ryomote

variance is noticeable. New York is oftener 'Noo York', possibly than what it should be, and so with other 'New' names, unless they be in the South. The southerner always iotizes. New Orleans is one of the hard ones to become unanimous upon. The real people there call it 'New Aw-le-ans', accent on the 'Aw'. Others call it 'New Orleans', with the 'O' distinct, and still others get it 'Noo Or-leans', accent on the last syllable, which is a sure sign to those to the manner born of the low browed. Cincinnati is another hard one. It used to be 'Sinsnatta'. Then it became 'Cin-cin-natta', later it was 'Sins-natti', and now the perfectly proper call it 'Cin-cin-nah-ti'. Louis is difficult to handle, because while those who get the French twist to the 'Louis' part of the name, they still retain the English 'Saint'. The majority pronounce it that way. Baltimore is as spelled to the uninitiated, but the knowing call it 'Baltimer', which brings the a cent on the first syllable. Indianapolis among the old timers is still 'Indianopolis'. o the highly educated Savannah is 'Savannah', and Atlanta is 'Atlahnta,' but this ultraness is not yet popular in those cities. Galveston about as often gets the accent on the second syllable as on the first, and Houston is not 'Hiewston' to the Northern visitor, though it is to the Texan. Chicago is a variety—'Shecawgo', 'Shecahgo'. 'Chick-ango', 'Checawgo' and any one of half a dozen or more variations. They can never legislate one way to pronounce the name because the legislators never can get together on what is really the correct thing. Wash'inton', as is 'Lexington,' without the 'g'.

"All over the country this variation of pronunciation exists and will continue to exist as long as usage and intelligence are not harmonious."

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that there are now about one trillion, ave hundred billion feet of standing timber, but we are cutting it at the rate of 35 billion feet as "Ock", and Colorado is Colorado to some year, which shows how short the time is when there will be no more. The pine forests of the South contain about 300 billion feet, and three per cent. a year is being cut. The world has been using our timber for years, but a movement is now on foot to prevent export. The multiland men who are making money by shipping timber, will no doubt object to such laws, but we have to have them to save ourselves. Much has been done in protecting forests and in planting new trees. It is up to every man in this country to look upon a tree as valuable as a cow and to protect it as he would that animal."

Mispronounced Names

"Just now, the newspapers are talking about the act of the Missouri legislature defining the proper pronunciation of the name of the act of the Missouri legislature defining the proper pronunciation to the first to take such a step. Arkansas gave a legal pronunciation to her name several years ago. Everybody in that state called it Arkansaw, but others pronounced it as spelled and it sounded to much like 'Kansas' for the real Arkansaw pec
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"Kind of curious, isn't it?" he went on.
"Now it may be only a coincidence, and the rationalists will insist that it is no more than that. And yet, if you had a combination of numbers like that against you, don't you think it would strike you as something more than a mere coincidence?

"Admitting, however, the went to be a something more than a mere coincidence."

mere coincidence?

"Admitting, however, that it was a coincidence, and hapoleon was big enough to snaphis fingers at such fate, what will you say to the further combination growing out of 1870, the year of his overthrow? Let's see what there is in that for the man of destiny. Take the date of the marriage of the Frenchman to the Spanish woman (1853), and add to it, Napoleon's birth year (1808), or Eugenie's birth year (1806). Look at the result, will you? and the astrologer handed out another paper with these figures:

1853

1853

"The fatal number 1870, you will observe," he said with the confidence of his kind, "and if any man or woman can tell me why those numbers combine to bring about such results, I am willing to admit there is absolutely nothing in superstition but the veriest rot unworthy of acceptation by anybody but hopeless idiots."

The Heiress of Beechwood

By Mary J. Holmes

CHAPTER XVIII.

MILLY GOES TO DRESDEN.

HE driver asks Milly where she will be left and when she answers the "Stevens Hotel," he says he has another passenger who stops there, and a remarkably fine-looking man takes features criticually, so like something she has seen before. Miloually, so like something she has seen before. Miloually, so like something she has seen conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes conscious that a pair of orth deal and becomes the following the followi

mouth and expression, otherwise she is like her English mother.

AIT. dowell invites Milly to ride with him and Edith; they visit the sunken grave, though marked by a handsome stone, of Hetty K. Howell, aged nineteen.

"Hetty Howell," repeats Milly. "Who was she?" and she turns to Mr. Howell. Unhesitatingly he answers:

"Hetty Kirby was my wife, and the concealment of it one of my boyhood's errors which I regret. I married Hetty without my father's knowledge and against his wishes and for that he turned her from his door and bade me forget her. I saw her as often as possible, until at last—" then he suddenly added, "She sickened and died and I buried her here. The night I went away I told him, and for that he cursed me."

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"Is there room in your heart for another grand-child?"

"Yes. Dick, there's room for Edith, because she is like Gypsy," and he offers to take the little girl who clings closer to her father and begins to cry for sister Milly.

Oliver takes Edith and shows her the way to sister Milly's room.

T.e Judge asks Dick where he has been all these years, and Richard tells all the reader knows, asking if he received his letters?

"Yes, one, telling me of your going to India, but I hadn't forgiven you then for marrying Hetty Kirby. I've forgiven you my boy, for that marriage has been the means of the greatest happiness I ever experienced. It gave Gypsy to me. Where is Milly? Why don't sue come to see her granddad?"

"She's up-stairs tissin a man," interposes little

marriage has been the meths of the greatest happiness I ever experienced. It gave Gypsy to me. Where is Milly? Why don't sue come to see her granddad?"

"She's up-stairs tissin a man," interposes little Edith. "She is," as Oliver tries to hush her. "It seen her and he tissed her back as loud as that," and by way of illustration she smacks her own fat hand.

Milly explains all to Lawrence. It's a fraud, she is not Millie Hawley—she is Millie Howell. Richard's child. He is down-stairs. Her own father is in the house and she tells him of the little sister Edith.

Milly goes down-stairs and Judge Howell clasping her in his arms, calls her his Gypsy, his Spitifie, his diamond, his precious child, he should have known she was a Howell. Clubs went for you. How does he find it out, and looking at Geraldine he demands she tells what she knows of Esther Bennett and the confounded plot.

Mr. Thornton insists she confess her part in the affair. Oliver hears enough to implicate her and Mrs. Thompson will tell what she knows to save herself from "Utter disgrace," he is going to say when Hepsy thinking it means "jail" repeats all the particulars, while Geraldine's face grows purple with anger and mortification. Hepsy will give up the fifty dollars and the silk gown. Forsaken by Hepsy, Geraldine bows her head in shame. Unless she confesses all Richard will find Esther Bennett, who will be compelled to tell the truth. Geraldine goes over the wicked plot. It is all for Lilian and all she has to love. Once Lawrence Thornton's wife the marriage could not be undone, and she makes Hepsy and Esther believe it a crime punished by imprisonment to divulge the part they play. Geraldine's strength leaves her and she begs them not to blame Lilian.

The Judge tells Geraldine she is one of the devil's unaccountables and he shakes her but she does not heed it. Mr. Howell and her uncle carry her to her room. It is Milly who speaks kindly when she returns to consciousness.

CHAPTER XXII. OLIVER'S SECRET. HIS DEATH.

Eighteen years after Milly is left at Judge Howell's door there is a quiet wedding at Beechwood. Oliver is not there. During her bridal tour she thinks of him and after her return her first question is for Oliver. He is failing and fearful Milly will not be here till he is dead. Lawrence and Milly go to see him, Milly thinks he is better. Oliver insists Lawrence shall stay with him that night. There is something he can say to him better in the dark and when alone he tells him of the deep love, beginning when he was a little boy, he has for the brown-haired girl who creeps each day more and more into his heart.

Lawrence is surprised and Oliver whispers "Forgive me, Lawrence," and tells him of the battle he has when Milly tells him of her love for Lawrence and the fierce struggle he has not to tell Milly his love for her, and when he dies it must be with his head on Miny's shoulder and Lawrence gives his consent to the poor boy dying for Milly Howell. Twenty-four heaver.

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2nd row.-3 d. c. in 6th st., 3 sts. and 3 d. c.

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CONDUCTED BY MRS. WHEELER WILKINSON

Ch. chain; ch. st. chain stitch; s. c. single crochet; d. c. double crochet (thread over once); tr. c. treble crochet (thread over three times); l. c. long crochet; r. st; roll stitch; l. loop; p. picot; r. p. roll picot; sl. st slip stitch; k. st. knot stitch; sts. stitches; blk. block; sps. spaces; * stars mean that the directions given between them should be repeated as indicated before proceeding.

Terms Used in Knitting

K. knit plain; o. over; o. 2, over twice; n. narrow 2 stitches together; p. purl, meaning an inversion of stitches; sl. slip a stitch; tog. together; sl. and b., slip and bind; stars and parenthesis indicate repetition.

Terms Used in Tatting

D. s. double stitch; p. picot; l. p. long picot; ch. chain; d. k. double knot; pkt. picot and knot together. *indicates a repetition.

Rose Tidy in Block Crochet

Begin by making three hundred and fifteen stitches. This includes five to turn. Chain of three double crochet in eighth stitch. A block consists of chain of three and one treble in each third stitch.

1st row.—Make 103 blks.
2nd row.—*1 blk., 7 tr., 5 blks., 7 tr., 5 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 5 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 5 blks., 7 tr., 4 blk., 7 tr., 5 blks., 7 tr., 4 blk., 3 tr., 5 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., * repeat from * to * to end of row. Ch. of 5 and turn.

4th row.—1 blk., 11 tr., 3 blks. * 22 tr., 1 blk., 4 tr., 4 blk.

repeat from * to * to end of row. Ch. of 5 and turn.

4th row.—1 blk., 11 tr., 3 blks., * 23 tr., 1 blk.,

* Repeat from * to * six times, 2 blks., 11 tr., 1
blk., ch. of 5 and turn.

5th row.—3 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., * 5 blks.,

3 tr., 5 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 3 blks., ch. of 5 and turn.

6th row.—3 blks., * 23 tr., 1 blk., * Repeat from * to * 7 times, 5 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., * Repeat from * to * 7 times, 2 blks., ch. of 5 and turn.

7th row.—5 blks., 3 tr., * 5 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk.,

3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., * Repeat from * to * 6 times, 5 blks., 3 tr., 5 blks., ch. of 5 and turn.

8th row.—Same as the 7th row excepting that 1 tr. is added between the groups of 3 tr. in the previous row. (See illustration). Ch. of 5 and turn.

and turn.
9th row.—5 blks., 3 tr., 89 blks., 3 tr., 5 blks.,
ch. of 5 and turn.
10th row.—1 blk., 7 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 89 blks.,
3 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 1 blk., ch. of 5 and turn.
11th row.—1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3
tr., 36 blks., 11 tr., 13 blks., 7 tr., 32 blks., 3 tr.,
1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., ch. of 5 and
turn.

12th row.—1 blk., 15 tr., 29 blks., 13 tr., 9 blks., 17 tr., 32 blks., 15 tr., 1 blk., ch. of 5 and

blks., 17 tr., 32 blks., 15 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 29 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 4 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 4 blks., 5 tr., 1 blk., 13 tr., 6 blkc., 15 tr., 1 blk., 13 tr., 6 blkc., 15 tr., 1 blk., 15 tr., 1 blk., 2 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 29 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 4 blks., 8 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 29 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 8 tr., 4 blks., 8 tr., 1 blk., 2 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 3 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 2 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 3 blks., 7 tr., 2 blks., 5 tr., 2 blks., 5 tr., 1 blk., 5 tr., 2 blks., 11 tr., 2 blks., 9 tr., 4 blks., 7 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 1 blk., 7 tr., 13 blks., 5 tr., 2 blks., 5 tr., 3 blks., 9 tr., 4 blks., 5 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 4 blks., 5 tr., 2 blks., 5 tr., 2 blks., 5 tr., 3 blks., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 4 blks., 5 tr., 3 blks., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 1 blk., 3 tr., 3 blks., 6 tr., 3 blks., 9 tr., 27 blks., 5 tr., 3 blks., 9 tr., 15 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 5 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 5 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 27 blks., 3 tr., 18 blk., 9 tr., 18 bl

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of 5 and turn.

The tidy is now so well along we feel sure anyone familiar with crocheting car easily work out the rest from the illustration.

Lucy A. Hoovee.

Photo Frames

A pack of cards suggested the shape of these frames for small photographs, which are intended to be cut from cardboard and covered with silk, satin or linen decorated with sprays of either embroidered or painted flowers and joined with ribbon bands as shown, or they can be cut from paper and a different scene painted upon each card.

with silk, satin or linen decorated with sprays of either embroidered or painted flowers and joined with ribbon bands as shown, or they can be cut from paper and a different scene painted upon each card.

Bag for Soiled Collars

This little article can be made of cotton, silk or silksteen, beginning by making a chain of 4, 1 tr. in next st., 3 long sts. in the next st. made thus. Put the thread over the needle four times and work off two loops at a time. 1 tr. in next, ch. 4, catch in next. Make six petals like this and sew to the centers which are made as follows: Crochet closely over a cord in single crochet for the space of one third of an inch. Coil and catch with a single.

Scallop at regular intervals.

The bottom of the bag is cut from card-board in the form of a four leaf clover, then padded, sprink-led with sachet and covered neatly. A pretty color scheme of the bottom of the bag, yellow for the flowers with brown centers, and blue for the rest of the bag finished drawing strings of either shade. Any other combination of colors can be used, but blue and yellow are attractive when used together.

cord under and sew firmly.

These flowers for the bottom of the bag are first made and then caught together with needle and thread, after which the other part of the bag part of the bag is formed as follows:
 *Ch. 3, o. 4,
make long
stitch between



A Hatpin Holder

As the cooler days of early fall are here the nimble fingers of our large band of workers will be on the outlook in 3rd st., 3 sts. and 3 d. c. in 3rd st., 5 sts., turn.
3rd row.—3 d.c. in first sp., 3 sts. and 3 d. c. in

in 3rd st., 3 sts. and 3 d. c. in 3rd st., 5 sts., turn.

3rd row.—3 d.c. in first sp., 3 sts. and 3 d. c. in first 3 d. c.

and 3 d. c. in 3rd st., 3 sts. and 3 d. c. in first 3 d. c.

and 3 d. c. in 3rd sp., 3 sts., 3 d. c.

in first 3 d. c.

and 3 d. c. in 3rd sp., 3 sts., 3 d. c.

in 4th sp., 3 sts.

and 1 d. c. in end, 3 sts., turn.

4th row.—3 d.

c. in first sp., 3

sts. and 1 d. c.

in 4th sp., 5 sts.,

and 1 d. c.

in 4th sp., 5 sts.,

sts. and 1 d. c.

in first sp., 3

sts. and 1 d. c.

in first sp., 3

sts., turn.

5th row.—11 d.

c. in first sp., 3

sts., and 9 d. c. in 3rd

sts., turn.

5th row.—11 d.

c. in first sp., 3

sts., and 1 d. c. in end, 6 sts., turn.

6th row.—3 d.

c. in first sp., 3

sts., and 3 d. c.

in 2 sts., 3 d. c.

in first sp., 3

sts., and 3 d. c.

in first sp., 3

sts., and 1 d. c. in end, 6 sts., turn.

6th row.—3 d.

c. in first sp., 3

sts., and 2 d. c.

in first sp., 3

sts., and 3 d. c.

in end, 3 sts., turn.

6th row.—3 d.

c. in first sp., 3

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in first sp., 3

sts., and 1 d. c. in end, 6 sts., turn.

6th row.—3 d.

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sts., and 3 d. c.

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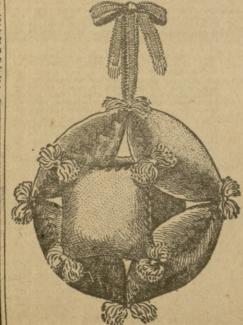
sts., and 1 d. c.

in first sp., 3

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in first sp., 3

sts., and 1 d. a circle about an inch and one half in diameter. Fill about half full with wood wadding and over the top sew a piece of coarse net or a couple of thicknesses



A Ball Pincushion This cushion which at first glance looks rather complicated is really easily made by placing together six square cushions. Each of

BALL PINCUSHION.

these should be well stuffed, and unless one desires a large ball cushion two and one half or three inches square make it a convenient size. Cover the top of each cushion with velvet or plush and the under side with contrasting scraps of silk. Catstitch the sides and then tie the corners together as shown with full tassels of silk and you will have an unusually pretty pin ball.

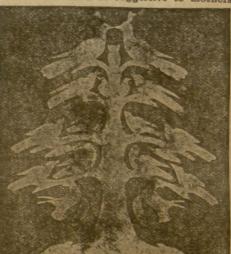
Cutwork

Mrs. Temple, an aged Comfort sister, submitted these examples of free-hand cutting which are suggestive of what

gestive of what can be done with even the simplest material. She uses for these white paper and simply fashions a pattern as she works, without previously drawing the design, and for this reason the result is son the result is son the result is quite remarkable, and especially so as the work is that of one who is seventy-eight years of age. After cutting and pasting the design on dark

whole is painted in with water CUTWORK.

colors, as one fancies, or it may be attractive as two colors. This work must be suggestive to mothers



CUTWORK

1st row.—Make a ch. of 27 sts. and 3 sts. to whose little ones are interested in cutting paper, and may develop a taste for cutting odd designs.



ch. 7 caught under previous chain with a s. Opening for Drawstring

1st row.—Ch. 7, catch with d. c. to ch. 7, once around.
2nd row.—I d. c. under ch. 7, ch. 2, 1 d. c. under same chain, ch. 2, repeat around.
3rd row.—I d. c. under ch. 2, ch. 2, 1 d. c., repeat around.

Scallops are Yellow

1st row.—2 s. c. under ch. 2, 10 tr. under next
h. 2, 2 s. c. under next, repeat around.
2nd row.—3 trs. on trs., ch. 4 in same, st., ch. 4,

, ch. 4 in same, st., ch. 4, 4 tr. on trs., ch. 4, catch in same st. as last tr., ch. 4, 3 trs. on trs., catch to foundation, repeat around. Finish with ch. 7, caught to scallop at regular intervals.

The bottom of the

ches in length and wide enough to allow of leaving a ruffle of about half an inch on either side. After sewing up the sides draw it up to the required length and then before slipping it over the foundation place in the bottom of it a good sized marble, but one which the cardboard will easily fit over. This weight is necessary to balance the hatpins and make it hang evenly when in use. Finish with full bunches of baby ribbon on either side.

Patchwork Designs



be used, red and white, or any combina-

Shell Lace



Points to Remember

Always write on one side of the paper only and leave space between the lines.

Write recipes, hints and requests on separate paper in-stead of including them in the letters. Mail all letters at least THREE MONTHS before the issue for which they are intended.

Always give your correct name and address, as no letter will be published excepting over it. This enables the sisters to write directly to each other.

the sisters to write directly to each other, write us for samples or patterns of the fancy work which have appeared. When publishing any particular piece of work, we give the plainest possible directions for making and usually illustrate it. It is absolutely useless for you to write for more information, or for samples, or patterns of anything unless stated that they can be supplied.

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As it has come to our notice that sisters have been asking certain sums for information and patterns that
should have been furnished free, we here give
notice that no charge should be made or money
asked for any offers of assistance or information
which have or will appear in any letters here
published; should there be, kindly notify us, and
the offender will be denied the further use of
these columns. As this department is run solely
to afford an opportunity for the mutual exchange
of ideas, recipes, and helpful information, we do
not intend it to be used by anyone for a commercial purpose.

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Do not ask us to publish letters referring to money in any way, such as requesting donations or offering articles for sale. Much as we sympathize with the suffering and unfortunate it is impossible to do this as we would be flooded with similar requests.

such a notice. See offer.

All subscribers are cordially invited to write to this department and all stand an equal chance of having their letters appear, whether they are old or new members. As our space is limited, naturally the most interesting helpful letters are selected.

Write fully of your views and ideas, yourself and home surroundings, "give as freely as ye receive," but if your first letter does not appear, do not feel utterly discouraged. Remember the old adage, "if at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

Address all letters for this department to Mrs. Wherler.

WILKINSON, care COMPORT, Augusts, Maine.

Dear Sisters:

I have been, for two years, a silent, but ardent admirer of Comfort. Having been given a subscription to it by some unknown friend, I have concluded to remain silent no longer, and have a word or so to say in the social circle. My home is in eastern Virginia, between the Chesapeake Bay and Potomac river and only a short distance from Jamestown where the great exposition was recently held. We Virginians are very proud of our state and rightly so for of course all of you know to what illustrious sons she has given birth. George Washington, Patrick Henry, Robert E. Lee, and "Stonewall" Jackson were all born upon her soil, and many more almost as noted; this of course makes her proudly famous and quite enough to hand down her name to posterity.

I am twenty-nine years of age, have been married six years and have a dear kind husband and three lovely little "olive branches" around my fireside. I am not much experienced in the art (for it surely is a great art) of housekeeping, but I'll try to give a few points on some little matters pertaining thereto.

Stoves greased with a piece of meat skin will not rust when putting away for summer.

A small piece of washing soda in the dish water gives a fine luster to both china and glassware.

When your lamp wick is too short for the oil, pin a piece of canton flannel to the end of the wick and you'll have as good a wick as ever.

I hope some sisters may write to me. I am a church woman, a communicant of the Episcopal church. I think it would be a good idea to always give our denomination in writing. I love all churches, but I feel nearer to those of my church, not selfishly so, but naturally, I suppose. I am a great lover of music and if anyone who sees this letter can supply me with "Billman's March," I will return favor in any way desired.

Wishing all much happiness and especially the poor shut-ins, Mrs. Geo. Carter, Lancaster, Va.

DEAR COMPORT SISTERS AND EDITOR:

This paper is rightly named, it is made up to suit every conceivable taste of humanity; from fiction to reality, morality to religion.

Here we have the privilege of studying the differences of opinion without a dispute of a second party or hard feelings. It's a silent, but good way of visiting, it gives us a chance to think and also to act. We have just a glimpse into each heart and home. Some sad and lonely, some sick and afflicted, some discouraged and tired of life, some on the verge of despair and some mixed up in the promises of God concerning heating. I think I have had a little taste of all, and always found a remedy to cure when I searched. The Bible teaches us to seek and we will find.

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First seek to know God, and he will give thee wisdom to understand. Ask and ye shall receive. It is our duty to help one another, if we have been benefited in any way and another asks knowledge we should give them the help we have received, "not grudgingly." "Freely ye have received, freely give," and it's a good motto, for every ailment there is a remedy if we only knew it. We all know that the most of our diseases come from neglect or abuse of our bodies. Children are in many instances born and do suffer through the neglect of the parents. God never intended that any should suffer disease. It is our own misunderstanding or neglect to keep the laws of nature. Reason and common sense are good teachers. In these days of enlightenment no one has a good excuse for ignorance. It's the, "don't care," and "I shall have a good time no matter what the cost," dispositions, that suffer in body and mind most. "What we sow we must expect to reap." In these days of good literature we have but very few excuses for not knowing how to care for our health, accidents will happen and death we cannot avoid when our time comes to die. But we can put away evil from our fiesh. When an evil thought comes into our mind, let us turn our thoughts to something good, and do good not evil; if we harbor evil thoughts we will soon be corrupted both in mind and body.

If we would listen to reason and obey God's laws there would be far less sin and sickness in this world.

Did you ever stop to think that our lives are books, each day its open pages reveal to those around us whether it is beautiful or hideous,

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around the mountains. I would like a letter party Oct. 17th.

MRS. WM. WILCOX, Sheridan, Montans.

DEAR MRS. WILKINSON AND SISTERS:

Though a constant reader of COMFORT for many years I have never offered a thought or good wish for publication before. I want to tell how much I appreciate dear old COMFORT. I hardly know what department affords me the most pleasure and profit. I can fully appreciate the interest taken in the shut-ins and am in full sympathy with them and the efforts in their behalf for I have been one myself and know from experience what joy and sunshine may be put into their hearts and lives in this way. And a prayer goes up from my heart for God's blessing to rest upon all who do this—the Master's work.

COMFORT Sisters' Corner has a cherished place in my heart, too. ... et me be discouraged or cross, feeling that there is little in this life worth while that it is useless to struggle with life's perplexities, all I need do to change the darkness into sunshine is to get my COMFORT and turn to the Sisters' Corner, when a song is once more in my heart and upon my lips. I read it every time with the same happy results. And there is Uncle Charlie's department, I am sure the publisher did a grand thing for COMFORT and its readers when he found that man. If his department gives as much pleasure to all who read it as it does me I would rather be Uncle Charlie than President of the U. S.

Dear sister Alice E. Morrison, Mayetta, Kans. (in June number).—To your questions so beautifully asked in rhyme I will say: It will take a wiser head than mine and more gifted, to answer that all may understand; but cannot you with me, try to look far beyond and find the answer head than mine and more gifted, to answer that all may understand; but cannot you with me try to look far beyond and find the assisted with His "knowing why" and that He is able to and does give us the very best that is for us.

You ask also why it is that COMFORT is leading them to victory. It is because they are fight in for the blessed paper

in this world.

Did you ever stop to think that our lives are books, each day its open pages reveal to those around us whether it is beautiful or hideous, divine or brutal? It will elevate or degrade, every word and act is engraved in this book of life as a curse or a blessing.

I have known instances where a change of climate has worked wonders with people in delicate health, I have never felt so well, as, since coming from New York state to Montana. I have lived nearly all the time in the mountains and timbers which are fir, pine, balsam and spruce: everyone knows how healthful this pure mountain air and spring water is. Medicine is

They are in the second and third grades in school and are learning very fast. We have a claim in the eastern part of New Mexico and like very much thourn we have only been here about sixteen months.

We are situated about twenty-eight miles south of Tucumcari where we were last summer. This town has grown from a population of 1,200 to 4,000 in the last year, and is still increasing in size as it is such a healthy place. I should be pleased to receive letters from any of the sisters, especially those residing in Mich. As I have been benefited in so many ways in reading these columns will send this hint which may be of some value to someone.

To effectively filter impure water take a large flower pot and place a sponge or some clean moss over the hole in the bottom, then fill it about three fourths full of sand and charcoal. Over this lay a linen cloth large enough to hang over the sides of the pot. Pour the impure water through this and it will come through at the bottom of the pot absolutely pure.

MES. J. E. BEADLEY, Quay, N. Mex.

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MRS. H. T. KLUGEL, Belfield, Va.

MY DEAR COMFORT SISTERS:

I received Comfort for a Christmas present and I certainly like it. I thought I would tell you all of a few of my ideas.

Do any of the sisters ever happen to get their ollcloths cut or have holes in them? If so try this way of mending them; if it is a straight cut just take a piece of oilcloth and paste firmly underneath the split, if a hole trim the edges evenly and then glue on as above; it will last for months.

A good way to mend socks and stockings that have holes in the feet is to take off the bottom of the stocking commencing at the back at the top of the heel, cutting at top of the heel straight on through to the toe, take the bottom and cut the back middle of the heel till it will lay flat, then cut by this of good, durable cloth, sew up back of heel then sew it on to your stocking tops and they are as good as new. If the top of the foot has holes, darn them before sewing on the top allow for large seam.

I will give you my recipe for making delicious light bread, without yeast. To make the starter, peel two potatoes, boil them in three pints of water, when done mash fine and put in the potato water, add four heaping tablespoonfuls sugar and four tablespoonfuls salt, stir throughly together and set aside for a couple of weeks in a very warm place; when it nas worked three or four days you can use it. Pare five or six potatoes and boil tender, mash, add the potato water (there should be about three quarts of potato spoonfuls salt, let cool (not cold) then add the starter, cover and let set over night (do not add flour), in the morning pour off a full quart of the liquid and set away for your next starter, take the remaining and mix as you would any other light bread dough, only you do not need to add any other ingrecients. I hope you will try this. I use it all the time as it is not nearly so not sour.

Can anyone send me the song containing this verse:

"Not a single nerve will quiver,
When I bid you my last adi

These Charle's report of Virgis McCarthy went of the property DEAR MRS. WILKINSON AND COMFORT SISTERS:

I have never seen a letter in your paper from this part of the "Golden West." I am anxious to become one of the "sisters" and correspond with some of them. I have live in Cal. three years, but like it much better than the East. The climate is simply grand—and we have a large variety of fruit and flowers all the year. I live in the Sacramento valley in the center of the "Prune" belt and it would be impossible to tell you the great amount of prunes that are raised and the number of people that are employed to care for them and the process they are taken through before being ready for shipment. They are mostly picked from the trees by the Indians, dipped and dryed by the Japanese, hauled to the packing houses by the Ranchers and packed in boxes ready for shipment by the working girls of the town and then they are shipped to nearly every country. I live two hundred miles from the city of San Francisco, the city that suffered such a terrible earthquake and fire two years ago. Although it is rebuilding fast I do not think it will ever be the old San Francisco.

I have just finished a cover for my dining table. I took six fifty pound dony eachs "f

glad for some of the sisters to write me. I am almost a shut-in. I am able to be up around the house most of the time, but that is all. I can't go out much. Reading and receiving letters is much company for me. I look forward to each mail that comes hoping to receive something to cheer me up.

MRS. LULU HERYFORD, Anderson, Shasta Co., California.

California.

Dear Sisters:
Having read your letters in our dear old Comport for a number of years I feel as if I would enjoy making myself known to you.
I have been married nearly five years and have three, dear little children, and I am interested in all that is said in regard to the rearing of children.
I have been sick the most of my married life, but am blessed by having a good mother, two sisters and my husband's mother, and sister to help us and to care for my little ones.
Last July a little girl, Lucile, came to brighten our home. I was not able to sit up for nine or ten weeks, having what is commonly known as milk-leg, in both of my limbs. My limbs are still swollen and sore, but I am so thankful I am able to work, and to care for my children.

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Lucile is a very delicate little thing. She is fourteen months old and only weighs thirteen pounds. I had to wean her from the breast when three months old. Since then have tried cow's milk, condensed milk, Mellen's Food and am now trying the cow's milk again, but none of them seem to nourish her properly.

If any of the sisters would write me how to can peas and corn I would return the favor in any way I could. I am much interested in the shut-ins, I wish I was able, financially, to help each one of them.

Hoping to hear from some of the sisters, Mrs. B. K. SLEET, Beaver Lick, Kentucky.

MRS. B. K. SLEET, Beaver Lick, Kentucky.

DEAR COMFORT SISTERS:

I have obtained much good information from the numerous letters, and will try to offer something in return. This is my second letter to this department. I believe I gave you a personal history of myself and told you that I hailed from the good old state of Kentucky, and wouldn't change places with the President. I must give you a few of my tried remedies, and trust all of them will prove a help to someone.

To relieve a severe cough: Equal parts of hoarhound elecampane root, comfrey root, spikenard and wild cherry tree bark. Boil in one gallon soft water down to one quart, strain, add one pound honey. Take a tablespoonful whenever the cough is troublesome.

To relieve pain from wounds: Take a shovel with burning coals, sprinkle common brown sugar upon them and hold the wounded part in the smoke about fifteen minutes, the pain will soon ease.

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For diarrhea in children, take a cup of wheat flour tie in a stout white cloth, drop in cold water, set over the fire and boil three hours. When cold, remove the cloth and crust formed by boiling. The ball thus prepared can be kept ready for use any time. To use, grate a table-spoonful, dissolved in cold water, sweeten a little, give every two or three hours. I have found this to be the best remedy to check the bowels in both children and adults.

Now a question. Will the Comfort sister who sent me such a nice roll of woolen pieces, among which was a half yard of shepherd plaid black and white goods, please send me her address. I want to return the favor. I will send to anyone on request a few spider flower seeds, also some seed of a fragrant fern to all who inclose postage. Parents lets make our homes as happy as possible for the children. Fill them with fun and frolic and the cheerfulness of social life. Thrice happy is he, whose path is that of the just, which beaming brighter every day, is lost at length in the splendors of meavening glory.

How many of you have read Uncle Charlie's poems? Those who have not should procure them by all means. Dear old fellow—they are every one an inspiration. All sympathy to the shut-ins. Yours in sisterhood,

Mrs. Virgie Jones, Claysville, Ky.

Dear Comfort Friends:

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MRS. VIRGIE JONES, Claysville, Ky.

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DEAR COMFORT FRIENDS:

Do you know how much you have helped me! No one but God knows, and He alone can reward you for it. I have received all of your letters and postals and thank you, far more than I can tell for them. I will try to answer all who inclosed stamps; if you haven't received an answer just be patient for I am sure I want to answer as bad as you want to hear. But it tires me to write very long at a time and I have to be careful. Oh, the weary, weary hours those postals and letters have helped me pass, for I get lonely sometimes. And even though I trust in God and from day to day say, "O God, thy will, not mine, be done," still there are times when I long for the letters to pass the hours by. I am in the sanatorium. I have been here almost three months, it is a lovely place, and everyone is kind. My lungs are much better. I have gained thirteen pounds since I came. I want to thank Mrs. Clark for the things she sent me; and I will write her soon.

I shall be glad to hear from all the readers, and please inclose stamps if you wish an answer. I would love to answer those who don't but it is impossible. With many prayers for you all, I remain your loving little friend and sister, KATIE LAMER, Mt. Vernon, care Sanatorium, Mo.

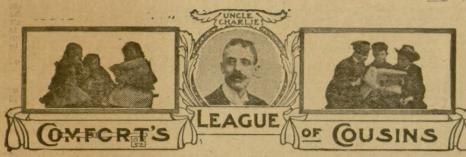
DEAR COMFORT SISTERS:

I have lately become interested in the Sisters'

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thought I would ask information from some of the sisters living there. We want to locate either near Santa Fe or else Albuquerque or the mountains. Will some sister who lives there kindly write me about conditions? This Ozark country where we live is excellent; good water, and range, fine timber and land is still cheap, though it has lately taken a jump. I know of no better

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To protect the weak and aged.

To love our country and protect its flag.

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On to forget that this is the month of October. We are on the threshold of Comporer's twenty-first anniversary, as fart as that League is econdemed. If you boys and girls do not do something big this month and next, I am going to put each of you across my knee, and spank you good. No, I will not spank you spank you hard. I can control about half of you with love. Most of you are to be led, but there is a great big bunch of, you that has to be pushed. I want to stand in the front and say, "Come on" to you, not sneak behind the rear with a club and say. "Go on." You disappointed me terribly during the months of June, July and August, as you did not win half a chair, much less a whole one. There is just as much money in circulation in the summer as in the winter. Country folks go about a great deal more during the time of roses, as they are not hemmed in by snow and bad weather. Human hearts are just as sympathetic, people are just as ready to loosen up their pocketbooks in the summer as in the winter time, and it is during the summer, when the skies are smilling, and the flowers are in bloom that your poor shut-in brothers and sisters need wheel chairs which will take them out from their prisons of suffering into the blessed sunshine, which through poverty and sickness they have been constituted to the whole year round. You, generals and kind the whole year round. You, generals and kind the whole year round. You, generals and kind the whole year pound to the prison when the afficited are compelled by the weather to remain indoors, but when the have a chance to get out, if you provide the chance, you deny them the opportunity. This sounds like a scoling, and it is me tilled to gi

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So dear girls don't be so anxious to marry a man when he is not anxious after you. If you are so anxious after him he will not want you. I am not anxious after any of them. Study your books and when you get old enough, don't be too auxious even then. If I live long enough and get over twenty-one years old, I am not going to let any kind of a man correspond with me.

Cousins write to me, I will try to answer all letters. Sincerely your niece.

ADLEANER CLAIBORNE (24,865).

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Cousins write to me, I will try to answer all-letters. Sincerely your niece.

Adleaner, where did you get that name? Though your letter is not over well written, it contains some excellent ideas. I am very much interested in the speech you made on children's day. The speech "be a lady" is excellent. That reminds me of a little incident that occurred some years ago when I was a boy at school. We were preparing for an entertainment similar to yours. Both myself and my sister were great elocutionists. The teacher selected two pleces for us to speak. One was "I want to be a lady," and the other one "When I get to be a man." She marked them in separate books, but she made a mistake in handing out the books. My sister got the book marked with the plece, "When I get to be a man," and I got the book marked "I want to be a lady," I tried to explain to her that the mistake had been made, but she was a peppery old lady, and simply said, "Now you run along, and do as I tell you." When the night for the entertainment came, and my sister began to recite, "When I get to be a man," you could have heard the howls ten miles off. The teacher's face was a study. Then I began to recite, "When I get to be a man," you could have heard the howls ten miles off. The teacher's face was a study. Then I began to recite, "I want to be a lady." I wish you could have heard the howls ten miles off. The teacher's face was a study. Then I began to recite, "I want to be a lady," I wish you could have been a lady in the faces of the audiences. I got through about half the first verse. After I had declared in pathetic tones three times that I wanted to be a lady; things began moving, and I decleded it was not healthy to be a lady; in you are continually knocking and I had better be a boy, and so I beat it. If there had not been a window at the back of the stage for me to jump through I would not have been a lady; fou are continually knocking others behind their backs, gossi



we'll live fine. When we get married, maw would give us a grand supper. She is going some baked hog and boiled chicken, and som fine corn bread and some onlons and bake weeding cake. My won't that be fine? Say, I all the cozzens I'll give you all a bite if come to my weeding. Now write to your frien

P. S. I want all the comments to rite and I'll and they're letters, please due.

Timothy, I am f'eatly interested in your weight. You say you weigh one hundred and thirty "ponds." If you weigh one hundred and thirty "ponds," If you weigh at least one good-sized lake. If you weigh any more "ponds" you will be a small-sized ocean. I would advise you to emigrate to Arizona, or some of the arid regions of the West. You would be a small fortune to an irrigating company. You could let out your one hundred and thirty "ponds" at a dollar a week, and sit back and get rich. Your writing is all right Tim, it is only in spelling that you are a little weak. You say you can hoe and milk a cow. If I catch you hoeing a cow I will have you drummed out of the League for crueity to animals. A good many people owe for JUBILEE.SOUDENIR NOUEMBER COM-FORT is truly a beautiful souvenir which you will want to read and keep and read again later. Jubscribe or renew now, 14 months for 25cts.

Lady Isabel's Daughter

For Her Mother's Sin A Sequel to "East Lynne"

By Mrs. Henry Wood

You'il look at that spot some day and remember my words."

Eric's ruddy face grew a shade paler and his pale blue eyes widened.

"I—I hope it won't be nothing against my

rushed out of the gates and down the snowy road.

The Cathedral bells were chiming as he drove up to the vestry door; and the tenantry clustered about the sacred edifice gave him a rousing cheer when he sprung down and a pompous footman in blue velvet and gold lace held back the door for hir to enter, and nodding good-humoredly as he ran up the steps he sprung across the threshold and into the presence of his bride.

She met him with a lovely blush, but my lord drew back and held his breath.

"Do you shrink from me, Lionel?" she asked sweetly. "Does your bachelor freedom take an added glory as it fades?"

"No," he answered in a dreamy way. "Oh, sweet, the world were well lost for such an hour

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FORT. Don't bother us with anything less than a six-months' subscription for 10 cts.

The band crashes out suddenly, and the floor is cleared for the cotillon.

My lord and his bride open the ball; free rein is given to everybody, and for once in their lifetime the tenants mingle with lords and ladies, and forget for the hour, that tomorrow a social wall will stand between them again.

The night slips by just as the day did before it, and ten rolls out from the stable-clock in the midst of "babble, and revel and song."

The groom slips away and gets back to his room, where his valet awaits him; the bride is whisked off to a dazzling boudoir where Joyce is laying out her traveling costume and trying not to cry, and then white satin splendor gives place to seal-brown plush and sable furs, and there is hurry and bustle from one end of the house to the other.

The tour is to last until May. Lady Rosamond and Mr. Carlyle are to get everything in readiness to welcome the earl and his countess with a magnificent reception on the tenth of the month—and then for a whole year my lady is to live with Isabi and share her new honors with her. They cling to each other and sob and cry over this parting, just as though my lady feels it as intensely as the beautiful, innocent bruce she is betraying; and so my lord finds them when he comes to bear his darling away, and he press my lady's hand and likes her, because she is so fond of Isabel, and his parting words tell her how glad he will be to greet her on his return.

In the midst of it all, the carriage which is to bear them to the railway denot is anyoursed.

he ball breaks up at daylight with a grand nds-all-round," a farewell bumper is drunk price and groom—rushing away to France as as steam can carry them—the gay assembly ters, carriages rattle off through the rugged light with tired beauties, taded and washed and yawning at the rising sun, a great calm so the place of the whilom revelry, and the expected is over and done for—a thing of irrevocable past.

Tr. and Mrs. Carlyle and L dy Rosamond the week at Arleigh Towers, and then de-

day and remember a bundred border of their names on the pages of the register, where the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage and on their way to he page and the bride in his arms as the carriage the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage and who was the carriage and on their way to he was the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage and who was the carriage and on their way to he was the loady has bride in his arms as the carriage and who was the carriage and was the carriage and was the carriage and who was the carriage and was the carriage are offered the music cases, and their bride and groom and wedding peasits ratite way to was the carriage are offered the music cases, and their bride and groom and wedding peasits ratite way to was the carriage are offered the music cases, and their bride and groom and wedding peasits ratite way to was the carriage are the was the carriage are the was the carriage and the country that the carriage are defended the music cases, and their bride and the country that the carriage are defended to a sheet of the was the carriage are offered the music cases, and their bride and the carr

through her soft cheeks.

At the doer of the grand reception chamber she breaks from him suddenly and flies forward with both hands extended.

"Papa, darling—Rosa, dear! Oh, I am so happy, so happy!"

And then there is general embracing, the sound of much kissing and many happy words, until my lord strides forward with hand extended and claims his share of welcome.

Luncheon is announced in the midst of it all, and the travelers tired out with journeying, and and the travelers tired out with journeying, and

"Mere pangs corrode and consume— Dead when life dies in the brain— In the infinite spirit is room For the pulse of an infinite pain!"

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How to Have Beautiful Eyes. No. 2

No. 2

OW that I have given you so much sensible advice I'm going to try a change and be absolutely frivolous, so here to be brighten your eyes and render them dreams of beauty, steep green tead (be sure it is of good quality) in rose-water, dampen bits of absorbent cotton in the liquid and the sensible and the sure it is of good quality) in rose-water, dampen bits of absorbent cotton in the liquid and the sensible and the sure it is of good quality) in rose-water, dampen bits of absorbent cotton in the liquid and the sure in the liquid and the sure is another eye brightener and I know you all can do it—but I really hope you won't for the sake of your families. A well-known eye heard to say the other day, that the most beautiful eyes belong to women who cry a great deal. It seems to me though that this would be an extremely mournful way of acquiring healty. I'm firends and that is what would happen, eventually. You know well and that is what would happen, eventually. You know what we have the mast beautiful eyes health and the world laughs with you.

Weep—a n d you weep almost the same effects fine eyell displayed the eyes and laughing mouth. Be the care demanded.

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Conducted by Katherine Booth

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Harmonious Beauty

water, eight onices; essence or roses, six drops.

Apply with absorbent cotton.

Busy Bee.—The bending exercise will reduce your waist but I really think your waist measure is right as it is. You have a good bust measure is right as it is. You have a good bust measure also. As the breasts are flabby, I would advise a gentle massage with cocoa butter, twice a day, for ten minutes each time. The massage must be gentle and always up and around, not down. After the massage is concluded, dash cold water over neck and bust for a minute or two. These applications of cold water after massage will do more to firm your bust than anything I know of. Try it. By drinking milk you can gain weight, but one hundred and sixty pounds seem to be just right for your height. I am glad my hot water cure has been such a help. Thank you for your pleasant words.

Miss Mae L. R.—Stamped envelope not received.

Mrs. M. E. V.—I agree with you that one hundred

Harmonious Beauty

BY JOHN H. WOODSURY.

4The World-famed Dermatologist and Face Specialist.

The fountain of cernal youth has not yet been discovered, nor the clirir of life canceted. Time will roll on and age, that dread enough the first off forever, but we cannot ward it pleasing instead of painful to look upon.

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walk each day. Take a cold bath every morning in which has been thrown several handfuls of coarse salt. Wash your face in hot water and soap every night, before going to bed. Take a course of sulpiur and molasses, an cla-tashloned cure for pinaples, but one of the best. Give up treating your blackheads until you are rid of the pinaples. Good luck.

Witchhasel.—(1) Olive oil seldom brings a growth of hair, (2) You can whiten your hands by applications of Peroxide of Hydrogen. (3) The dark rings under your eyes are probably caused by stomach trouble. Try my hot water cure and rest your eyes for five minutes every hour. Try closing them and relaxing all your muscles. You may be troubled with eyestrain and this rest cure will help them.

Perplexed, Crowley, N. C.—You are too thin for your height. You should weigh about one hundred and forty-five pounds. Your bust should be thirty-eight and hips forty-three. Your waist measure is correct. Here is a good hair tonic that will make your hair grow thick and long.

Forty grains of resorcin, one half ounce of water, one onnee each of alcohol and witchhasel.

Massage into the scalp every night until the scalp is pink and glowing. Take my hot water cure for your skin is oily, wipe your face over several times a day with a cloth dipped in alcohol. Try drinking milk and you will soen be the right weight.

Mrs. Robert.—I think most skins need a daily massage with skin food and would advise your using the orange flower skin food recommended earlier in this column. A quart of milk daily would be beneficial. The red blotches coming on face when it is bathed, show that your nerves are in a sensitive condition.

it is bathed, show that your nerves are in a sensitive condition.

Helga.—I think the tonic you mention is a good one. Use the Milk Diet until it has accomplished what you desire. If your forehead is greasy and red, wipe off with a cloth dipped in alcohol, and then powder.

L. L. —Red noses certainly are troublesome things. The first thing you must find out, is whether your collars, cuffs, shoes, belts and corsets are too tight. This will cause a red nose. Next you must look to your diet and avoid ples, cakes, candles, gravies, pickles, etc., etc. Apply this ointment every night to your nose, it will finde out the color.

One dram of powdered sulphur, two and one half drams of powdered starch, one and one half ounces of ointment of zinc oxide, three drops of oil of rose.

I think massage will help your nose, and bathing it in cold water will also help it. Massaging your hands with honey will make them white, and holding them in warm milk will plumpen them. Yes, you can use Peroxide of Hydrogen and Aqua Ammonia on halr at the back of your neck. Massage will help the red marks on your cheeks, although it will not entirely banish them.

Irene.—The best way to make the corners of your lips turn up is to "keep smiling." If you make yourself as pretty as you can and are always smiling and happy and doing pleasant things for people, you will find the boys will like you. You can't do anything to make your hands and feet smaller. Your manners will be dainty if you are always trying to improve.

will be dainty if you are always trying to improve. Ruth.—I will repeat the formula for the Vaucaire Remedy:
Four hundred grams of simple syrup, ten grams lactophosphate of lime, ten grams of theture of fennel, ten grams of extract of galega.
Take two soupspoonfuls before each meal. This remedy must be taken until your bust has developed sufficiently. It does not enlarge the waist. The development will be permanent unless you become sick.

Mrs. A. B. J.—I do not answer letters personally. Your measurements are not correct. Your hips and bust should be larger. Drink milk. I'm sorry but I cannot tell you anything about the value of old coins or where to dispose of them.

Tuna.—You can get rid of your blackbends if you will scrub your face clean every night before going to bed with water and soap. Every other night cover your face with soap jelly, letting it remain on for ten minutes, after which wash off with warm water and apply skin food, formula for which was given Okla. Rose.

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Miss Emma, Mrs. F. S. H., Dearle, and others interested in fat reduction.—I do not answer letters personally. There are numerous ways of reducing fat but they are all too well known to be given here. I am going to recommend a special diet for reducing flesh. It reduces the flesh slowly but surely and is not injurious. The "cure" is this: Give up eating altogether and live on one and one half to two quarts of milk each day. This is quite sufficient to keep you acurshed, but gives no chance for flesh formation. Quite the reverse. You can eat salted crackers with the milk but nothing more. You should lose three or four pounds a week or this diet. Dearle is recommended to wait for a year or two before trying to reduce. Some people get a great deal of their height after sixteen years.

Emma K.—It would probably cost quite a little to have your superfluous hair removed by the electric needle. It does not leave scars, and the hair root is killed. If you have a Beauty Shop in your town you could get this work done, as they would probably have an operator.

Mrs. M. P. and others interested in superfluous hair remover.—Simply get a bottle of Peroxide on Hydrogen and a bottel of Aqua Ammonia. Do not mix them. Dampen the hair place with the Peroxide one day and the next day dampen it with the Aqua Ammonia. Keep this up until the hair roots are killed, which will be a number of months. It will kill the hair permanently. Buy these at a drug store.

Mrs. M., Tonopah, Nev.—Whên the hair root becomes black and enlarged and looks as if it were going to fall out, the root is dead and the hair can be pulled out with the fingers. Hair is hard to kill and while you may be discouraged remember that perseverance wins.

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Thick lips can sometimes be reduced by rubbing them
with the following:
Melt an ounce of good cold cream, and add one
gram each of pulverized tannin and alkanet chips. Let
macerate for five hours, then strain through cheesecloth. Have this put up by a druggist.

Miss Madge.—You can reduce your nose by rubbing
it with a lotion of tannin and camphor. Thick broadnostrils can be brought under control by pinching.

Emma D.—As your hands and arms are red and
you suffer from headache, I think perhaps you wear
your clother too tight. See that collars, cuffs, shoes,
corsets and belts are loose.

Mrs. O. C. C.—You are too fat. You should not weigh more than one hundred and fifty pounds. Reduce, and your face will not be so flushed.

Cerate Wart Remedy
Soap cerate, one ounce; powdered savin, one dram;
powdered verdigris, one dram.
Spread this on a piece of kid the size of the
wart and keep on over night. This remedy should
only be applied by a doctor.

Brown Eyes.—Brush your teeth three times a day,
and rinse your mouth out twice a day with diluted
listerine. This will make your breath sweet, unless
you have decayed teeth or stomach trouble. Try
drinking quantities of cool water and taking cold
baths for your red face.

Bashful Boy.—Redness of the face is a very com-

To on are probably too full blooded and must cut down on rich gravies, pies, cakes, candy, pickles, etc.

Miss Edith.—I have the same kind of hair myself. Use two tablespoonfuls of powdered borax in your rinsing water when shampooing. This takes out the oil and makes the hair fluffy. It does not hurt to wash the hair often. I do it every ten days and the wave very thick, healthy hair.

Mrs. J. B.—Massage your scalp with vaseline every night until the scalp is plink and glowing. Your scalp needs to be stimulated and massage will do it. I think this will stop the litching sensation.

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Ethelyn.—Thank you, my dear, for your complimentary words. I think your hair must be oily, wash it every ten days and see if it parts. Of course, you must put fit up on pins at night, as that makes it look much prettier. You are very nicely formed, judging from your measurements.

Queenle.—You must massage your face with skin food. See formula for same given Okla. Rose. This will plumpen your face. To clear complexion, drink hot water.

Beetle Bug.—Girls of sixteen should wear their hair down an their necks and their dresses to their shoe-

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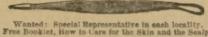
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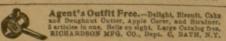
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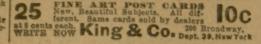
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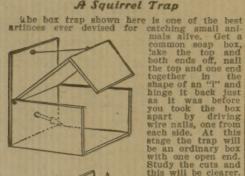


A Corner for Boys

By Uncle John

ELLO, dear little nephews, how are you progressing?" That's the the way I write it because the editor wants me to be prim and aignified, but Holy Moses if I saw you on the street I would out out, "Howdy kids, how ye comin' any. Then I would take you all into my big op and show you how to make anything inted to make. Just pretend that we are shop together. Here are the things I try to teach you right here in this column. like them boys? Write and let me know.

A Squirrel Trap



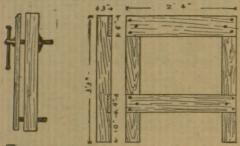


shape of an "I" and hinge it back just as it was before you took the box apart by driving wire nails, one from each side. At this stage the trap will be an ordinary box with one open end. Study the cuts and this will be clearer. Now we close up the open end by nailing on a long piece, twice the height of the box. Through this we bore two holes as clearly shown in the lower cut. The trigger consists of one flat stick notched in the center and one arrow-shaped stick notched in the center and one arrow-shaped stick notched to the sharp end of the arrow-shaped plece. Now the important part. The bottom of the flat stick rests in the notch of the other, the top of it is held by a notch in the box. The upper drawing shows the trap when it is set ready for action (inside view). The lower drawing is an outside view. Study it closely boys and write me about it.

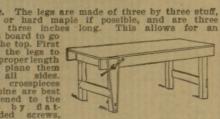
A Peculiar Lantern

In these days of modern illumination we are apt to forget the great handicap our forefathers suffered with their clumsy and inadequate lighting devices. One of the strangest lamps in existence is the Firefly lantern in the museum at Washington. It came from the West Indies and is simply a bamboo cage with little doors. Those who made it kept firefles in it and fed and cared for them every day as carefully as a boy would for his pet bantams. At night when it greateful lights and the ancient people were very thankful for it was the only illumination they had.

Boy's Work Bench



THE VISE AND ENDS OF BENCH.



THE COMPLETE BENCH.

as shown by cut. The vise is made of hard wood and is held to the side of the bench by two bolts as shown. Any bolts sufficiently long to suit you will do for this but a neat and practical bench bolt can be bought for a few cents. For the top boards of any width may be used. Fasten them by driving flat-headed screws even with the top surface. By referring to the pictures you will understand these directions and be able to make this practical article. Once made it will be found indispensable and with proper usage will last a lifetime.

who represent a country has a pad in his hand containing questions about that country. When approached by a player he asks five questions about that country he is supposed to be. When the player correctly answers five questions he is permitted to go on to the next country. The one who completes the circuit first wins the game and all the others must bow in welcome to him for he has been around the world and is now safely back.

An Optical Illusion



Here are a few more puzzling problems. Sharpen up your wits and solve them. Watch next month's Comfort for the answers and if your subscription exports for a rubber ball rebounds to half the height from which it was dropped and continues this until at rest, how far will it have moved if dropped from a place 100 feet high?

2.—A man and a boy can do a certain piece of work in twenty days; if the boy rests five and one fourth days it will take them twenty-two and one third days; in what time can each do the work alone?

Coal or Wood Box

Boys if you want to make your parents happy and at the same time do something really useful and practic al, make this handy fuel box. Any scraps of lumber, no matter how old they are, will do, or an old box may be remodeled to the proper shape. The size of the coal box depends alogether on the amount of coal or wood it is intended to hold. First saw out the two side pieces, following as closely as possible the lines of the drawing herewith given. Next nail on the bottom and

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The Double Square Puzzle

Here you see a figure which is really two squares put together, one large one, one small one. Can you cut that the two wins called the put together, one large one, one small figure into three such put together, one large one, one small dispersable the put together for one performed in the put together for one performed in the squares are or how has a square high there is want to say that doesn't make any difference how large or small the squares are or how has a square mile, the other a square high the other a square but the squares are or how large or small the square high the square high the squares

In the sweet by and by, I hope to join them in the paradise of God.

I have been corresponding with Blanche Brown, and I find her a very lovely character, refined and educated. Her references are of the best. She is utterly unable to work, but like a true woman, she is doing her best to make a living by selling stamps. You who have old stamps, send them to her, you who have old stamps, send them to her, you who buy stamps, purchase some from her. Let us help those who try to help themselves. When you send your old stamps along, send a dime, or better still a greenback if you can spare it. I don't suppose this poor girl could make more than fifty cents a week by selling stamps. Despondent shut-ins should note the example set by Miss Brown. Even if a person is confined to a wheel chair, or a bed, if they have the use of their hands, there are a great many things they can do, and should do to earn a living. If some millionaire would take up this work, of giving employment to shut-ins, God would surely bless him. Machines that could be worked by hand, for making bags and other light articles—the products to be paid for at a reasonable price—would keep these poor people busy, and would keep their thoughts off their sufferings, and make them semi-independent. These matters should not be left to charity, and if I were governor of a state, or president of a nation, the welfare of the sick would be my first thought. It was Christ's first thought, why not ours?

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blessed chick turned out a rooster. Wouldn't that bump you? I employ Billy, so that all members joining He C. L. O. C., can ride the social members joining He C. L. O. C., can ride the secretary. Maria is my cat, housekeeper and cook. I have no better half. I had a worse had cook. I have no better half. I had a worse had nonce, but I fired her long ago. I'm a grass widow at "sent.

Comfort's League of Cousins

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BY KATE V. SAINT MAUR.

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Making Preparations for Winter

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T is none too soon to think of making preparations for winter. Cull all young stock down closely. Don't keep a lot of young cockerels to eat up the profits during the winter. Even pullets which are at all backward should be marketed, if they won't develop after cold weather sets in, and it does not have to keep them through for summer layers. Most of the failures made in the poultry business are due to people not having the courage to clean out non-productive birds. Just calculate how many quarts of feed ten growing birds will eat in seven months, and I think you will be convinced that it is unfair to expect the flock to support them and still show a profit. The trouble is that people don't realize that young stock stand still as soon as cold weather starts, remaining almost stationary until spring. It is for that reason that hatching and incubating should always be rushed through as early as possible in the spring. Another evil of keeping undeveloped stock is that they occupy houseroom and crowd the older birds.

Now is the time to wage war on vermin, whilst the bright days last; turn the hens out and have a good house-cleaning. Use plenty of houses, crowd all the birds into one for a few days, and when the empty house has been



THE OPEN-FRONT HOUSE.



BUTTER-TUB DRINKING FOUNTAIN.

body and generate heat, and allow a surplus to be converted into eggs by providing tight, warm sleeping quarters, we must save some of the feed which would be used for warmth in a cold house. Plenty of fresh air I do believe in, but everything likes to be warm during the still, dark hours.

We have houses like the accompanying illustration, and on bright days, no matter how cold, the windows are opened from 9 a. m. until 2.30 p. m. On stormy days the door of the scratching shed, is left open instead. The birds are fed in the scratching sheds, the floor of which is thickly covered with dry leaves and chopped straw, so the hens are compelled to scratch and hust for the small corn, which is scratch and hust for the small corn, which is scratched twice it day.

I have often seen the argument used, that wild birds, who have no houses at all, are always

tright, and powder thoroughly. Use Dalmatian owder in an ordinary tin flour dredger, and the stand to rub it well into the fluffy parts lose to the skin. It is well to repeat the dose hout three days after; in thus doing house and ling leaves, to be used for scratching materials. Dayful seathered on the floor of the chickenouse or twice a week, will increase the days after of having exterminated the pests for a few norther, at least. Remember to rake up all the alling leaves, to be used for scratching materials. Dayful scattered on the floor of the chickenouse occur is the provided and keep the birds healthy during enorged on the floor of the chickenouse occur twice a week, will increase the same time, you may be reasonably under the same time, you may be reasonably under the same time, you may be reasonably months, at least. Remember to rake up all the alling leaves, to be used for scratching materials. Dayful scattered on the floor of the chickenouse occur twice a week, will increase the same time, you may be reasonably months, at least. Remember to rake up all the alling leaves, to be used for scratching materials. Dayful scattered on the floor of the chickenouse or twice a week, will increase the same time, you may be reasonably under the propertion of the chickenouse or twice a week, will increase the same time, you may be reasonably under the propertion to the four two propertions to be a four two propertions to be a found the same time. The four the floor of the cause. So be areful; if your last year's supply has run out, it is better to buy a few bags than lose hears of the four two propertions to buy a few bags than lose hears of the four two propertions. The cause of the four two propertions to buy a few bags than lose hears of the four two propertions to buy a few bags than lose hears of the four two propertions. The four two propertions the propertion to be a four two propertions and the propertion to be a four two p pelled to acquire fifty parts more fat than she requires.

Green bone and water now alone remain for consideration. The former is beyond doubt the best of egg foods, qualifying as it does in nearly all the needed elements. Many farmers scoff at the idea of having to pay for a mill to cut up bone for chickens, yet the same men will not grudge a hay cutter for the horse and cow. Green bone means fresh bone from the butcher which can be bought for about two cents a pound. The mill to grind it ranges from eight to fifteen dollars. It contains the natural meat, juices, blood, gristle, oil and mineral matter in soluble condition which renders it easy of digestion, especially for birds. Almost all the components for eggs—white yolk and shell—in the most concentrated form possible. So, if eggs are to be profitable, the bone mill must be kept going. When it is impossible to obtain for poultry, can be used, though it is not hair as satisfactory because the grinding process it has to submit to before grinding, leaves little but the phosphate of lime and earthy matter which clover and bran furnish in better form. At least half the egg is composed of water, surely a sufficient reason for impressing the importance of a generous supply accessible at all times in clean dishes, of a proper temperature, cool in summer and the chill off in winter. The foregoing will enable those who want to make up combinations from the materials at hand which will include the necessary elements to select from themselves.

from themselves.

D. M. C.—What is a good substitute for clover and millet seed? Neither are successful in this section. (2) Will green wheat do instead of clover? (3) Where do you buy oyster shells and grit? (4) I have thirty-five turkeys to fatten for Christmas. Please tell me how best to accomplish it.

A.—Can't you get clover hay to chop and steam for foundation of mash? If not, use bran, cooked beets, or boiled beans sometimes in its place. They are all read in lime, one of the principal introducing than clover, but as the last two are more fastening than clover, but as the last two are more fastening than clover, use recome cans only with them. Kaffir come or rape can be used instead of miliet. (2) Yes. (3) Any food store can precure oyster shells and grit in bundred pound bags, but as your hens are on free range they should be able to pick up ensuph. Break up old chima and glass for them whilst you only have a few hens. (1) Food mash of corn and barley meal mixed with boiling milk; all they will eat up in ten nisutus three times a day for two weeks; mashed potators can be mixed with it sometimes.

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Comfort Sisters' Corner

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place for a man with moderate means to make a good living and acquire land, that will soon double in price. I am always glad to give information to anyone sending a stamped envelop, providing they are in earnest. For I am a teacher and with my housework too, I find no time to waste in idle curlosity. I can, with a host of others, say that COMFORT is an excellent paper, and I feel that Uncle Charlie's department does much to alleviate the misery and heartach; of a sometimes hard world, while the Sisters' Corner contains many a choice gem. With all good wishes, Mrs. L. LORD, Brushy Knot, Mo. double in price. I am always glad to give information to anyone sending a stamped envelop, providing they are in earnest. For I am a teacher and with my housework too, I find no time to waste in idle curiosity. I can, with a host of others, say that Comfort is an excellent paper, and I feel that Uncle Charlie's department does much to alleviate the misery and heartach; of a sometimes hard world, while the Sisters Corner contains many a choice gem. With all good wishes, Mrs. L. Lord, Brushy Knot, Mo.

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This is a rocky, mountainous country and our home is surrounded by high hills covered with pine and other trees. In this part of Virginia wheat and corn are mostly raised.

I wish to thank all of the sisters for responding to my requests, words cannot express the pleasure they gave me. Some wrote such sweet and cheery letters. I answered all who sent stamps and regret that I couldn't have answered all but hope you will take this as a personal letter to each. God bless you.

Miss Primm. I received the package you sent me and made good use of it.

Leonori, Redbud, Ill. Yours received. Yes, I dan do most all kinds of fancy work.

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DEAR EDITOR OF COMFORT:

I want to thank, through Comfort, all the kind sisters who have sent me nice post cards, letters and books. I have answered some and I thank all. I am a shut-in from rheumatism and write a great deal.

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CHAPTER XVI. (CONTINUED.)

"No, own up to what I didn't do."
"No, own up to what you did do.
That's all I want. I cal'late arter I
tell Mr. Vanderwent and the rest of
them, about that shawl and nightdress it won't be very hard work for
bill."
"Hush, Job. Don't speak so loud," pleaded
Cornelius. "Of course, I would rather do what
you require of me than have you go to my
father." "Your father." macred to CAN'T own up to what I didn't do.'

il, I don't care anything about that, I'm o save my boy."

All do it, if I must," exclaimed the Vant, desperately.

Il, you must, if you don't want me to have with Mr. Vanderwent," added Job. Will! I will! Don't sneak so loud, Job. you have a glass of beer?"

I Don't say beer to me again. If you do, the hoisters right on to you," replied man, angrily. on't."

won't."
you're goin' to own up, come along and
it done with."
will do it, but I don't like to go to Mr.
wood. he's so violent."
it you threw my boy into his flippers."
would rather speak to another of the partwho will make it all right with Mr. Blast-

on't keer how it's done, if it's only done,"
bb, more mildly.
lli tell Mr. Leffingwell all about it."
right, but come along and do it."
n't do it today, for Mr. Leffingwell is not
tore; but I will do it tomorrow."
m't want to be hard with ye, Tim, but I
now that it has been done. What's the
stame?"

e it to me in writing."

Vanderwent wrote the name and gave it

ob.
now shall I know that it has been done?" dended the old man.
When shall you be in the city again?"
Any time when you say."
Aou shall see Mr. Leffingwell next Saturday, he will assure you that be has made the matall right with Mr. Blastwood" replied Cortus.

"I don't want any slipping up on this busi-ness, Tim." added Job, shaking his head, im-

Donarding mouse, where he found his friend, wam to temperature in the firm of the partner in the firm

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oysterman. He had always moved in low society, and he could not be expected to understand the proprieties of polite society. He was an ignorant young man; he had had no advantages, and it would be charitable to enlighten him. Since he had a reputation for magnanimity to sustain, he ought to know what the quality was. Mr. Fred Lynmore decided to instruct him at the first convenient opportunity, and his missin to Oslip seemed to afford a suitable opportunity.

Mr. Fred went to Oslip, and succeeded in finding the new house of Job Seagrain. He entered the house, and was cordially received by Job. Charlie was in the barn, but he was sent for, and pleasantly greeted Mr. Fred, who delivered the note from his uncle. Charlie opened it and read it.

"I must go to New York in the next train," said he, explaining the contents of the note.

"Why, what's happened?" asked Job.

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"Of course, I do, and I shall never lorger them."
"Fortune favored you in giving you an opportunity, of saving Miss Lynmore from a watery grave," he continued.
"You were on board the yacht, and fortune favored you in the same manner. You could have jumped overboard and saved her."
"I did not see her when she fell in the water. If I had, I should have certainly plunged in after her."
Charlie had his doubts on this point, but it would have been indelicate to express them, and he made no reply.

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Mrs. Minnie O. Wade, Ohio. You wrote such a cheery letter, please call again.

S. E. Turner. Yes, I am receiving those post cards you are sending me, many thanks for them. J. A. D. I made a corset-waist like the one in Comfort, wish you could see it.

I will give a pen picture of myself. Age thirty-one, have brown hair and eyes, fair complexien, height five feet, two and one half inches, weight one hundred and seventeen pounds.

Now I am reduced in weight about twenty pounds. Surely everyone knows what a blessing good health is. My sympathy goes out to all the dear suffering ones. May God bless and keep them.

Now, dear, generous sisters, may I ask a favor for an elderly lady. Those who can please send her silk, linen floss or red cotton for embroidery work, and she is also anxious for the old song, these two lines of which she remembers:

"My little dove I had a mate,

"My little dove I had a mate,
But like you now I am desolate."

Mrs. S. E. Williams, Box 46, Rocky Mount,
R. D. 4, Va.
Now I will close, hoping I will be remembered
with letters from time to time.

Miss Virginia Kingry, Rocky Mount, Va.

DEAR SISTERS:

In response to my request I received letters and reading matter from several states, all of which I appreciate more than I can express. I have been a shut-in from heart and liver trouble for eight years and now have dropsy. Am writing to thank you all for past favors and hope to still be remembered with story papers and books.

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Dear Mrs. Businger. If you happen to read this I want you to know that I wrote you from my new home and should be glad to hear from you again. Thanking you each and ail, and may God bless you. Your shut-in sister,

MRS. MOLLIE ROTY Derma, Miss.

Tested Recipes from Comfort Sisters The writer's name or initials will appear at the end of one or more of the recipes.—Editor.

Banana Pie

One egg and yolk of another, one cup sugar, two tablespoonfuls of flour, scant cup of milk, one banana (mashed fine), little butter. Bake with only one crust using white of egg for frosting top.

Nut Rocks

Two cups brown sugar, two cups oatmeal, one coffee cup of lard and butter, one teaspoonful soda in one half cup hot water, one and one half teaspoonfuls cinnamon and flour e ough to make stiff batter so it can be dropped in balls. Bake in moderate oven.

Mas. H. A. Sullivan.

Preserved Pumpkin

Peel, cut in small pieces and cover with surar over night using half as much sugar as you have pumpkin. In the morning pack in jars and seal, if air tight it will keep indefinitely and be like fresh when opened.

MRS. E. L. CURTIS.

Hickory Nut Cake

One cup of sugar, half cup flour half cup nuts, put together and rolled until fine, then add tablespoonful of butter and moisten with nearly one half cup of water. Line ple pan and fill with this mixture. Bake in hot oven. JENNIE MCNEAL.

One half cup of lard and butter mixed, one cup of dark brown sugar, one and one half cups of moisses, one cup of cold coffee, two teaspoonfuls of soda leveled off with a knife, one teaspoonful of mace, one half teaspoonful of cloves, three even teaspoonfuls of cinnamon if strong one teaspoonful will do, three eggs, pinch of sait, six and one half cups of pastry flour. You must add one cup of flour at a time and beat thoroughly, after each cup of flour, that has been leveled off with a knife. After the flour is all in and beaten to a smooth batter, add a cup of English wainut meats, dusted with flour; stir until all are mixed, add one half pound of thinly sliced citron, beat, then one and one half pounds of raisins, stir again, one pound of currants thoroughly washed.

I use the prepared raisins in packages, but I still think they need good washings.

MES. P. CUDDEBACK.

Tomato Salad

Take ripe tomatoes and cut into thin slices, sprinkle over them a quantity of finely chopned onions and salad oil, if liked sweet cream can be used, add salt, pepper and vinegar, the oil should be in the proportion of taree table-spoonfuls to one of vinegar.

Extra Nice Dessert Dish

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Make a sponge cake consisting of three eggs, one cup sugar, one cup flour, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, three tablespoonfuls boiling water, this will make three cakes baked on round tins, sufficient dessert for eight, then make a boiled custard consisting of one quart of milk, two eggs, three tablespoonfuls sugar, pour it over the cake, then take one half pint of thick cream and whip it to a stiff froth, sweeten and season to suit the tas; and spread it smoothly over the whole let it cool thoroughly by setting on ice.

Mrs. Stella Clemens.

Rhubard Lemonade

One gallon cold water, one cup pure rhubarb juice cooked; juice and rind of one lemon, add sufficient sugar to sweeten. This is as good as pure lemonade.

Black Cake

Put one cup of sugar and enough water to cover sugar, in a pan and set on stove to boil. When it threads, take off stove and pour slowly, with the left hand, into the well-beaten white on an . while you beat the egg with the right. Beat until quite thick, add flavoring, and spread on cake. This is better than the pulverized sugar for frosting.

Will someone please send in a recipe for fairy pudding?

E. H. P.

One cap confectioner's sugar, one cup cold water, one half cup nuts chopped fine, flavor to taste.

Banana Salad

Cut bananas in slices and place in center of disu, upon which several lettuce leaves have been placed, dress with lemon sauce made as follows: One cup water, one tablespeonful com starch,

Cheese Fingers

Cut cheese in strips three inches long by one inch back make a batter of one egg, two table spoonfuls flour, pinch of salt, dip cheese in this, place on buttered pan, bake ten minutes.

MBS. PERCY JAYNE.

MRS. PERCY JAYNS.

Chill Sauce

Che neck ripe tomatoes, six green peppers, six large onlons, one tablespoonful cloves one table, appoinful cinnamon, two tablespoonfuls salt, two curs eider vinegar, two cups sugar, boll down with the control of th

Piccalilli

One peck green tomatoes chopped fine put in jar by layers with sait, let stand over night, drain, and add eight onions, eight peppers, two large or three small heads of cabbage all chopped fine, whole spices to suit taste, one cup sugar if you wish, vinegar to make wet enough and heat it all up together. Can be canned or put in a jar, keeps fine. I have never measured spices, vinegar or sugar, but always tried it before canning. Suet Pudding

One cup suet chopped fine, one cup molasses, one cup sweet milk, one cup raisins, one cup currents, small piece citron chopped fine, two eggs, one teaspoonful each cloves, cinnamon, soda and salt. Mix quite stiff, steam three hours.

Sauce for Pudding

One cup water, one half cup sugar, boil and thicken with one tablespoonful four, add piece of butter the size of an egg, flavor to taste. I use brandy when I have it.

FLORENCE M. ROBENBAUM.

Rhubarb Pie

Peel and cut up the rhubarb, pour boiling water over it and let stand ten minutes, then drain off (this draws out some of the acid juice) allow a cup of sugar and half a table-spoonful of molasses to every two cups of the fruit, line pie tin with crust, put in the mixture and sprinkle a little flour on top, put on top crust and bake.

Steamed Rhubarb Pudding

Grease a tin pail (be sure to select a pail with a good tight fitting cover) cut up rhubarb as for pie, put it into the pail, then cover with a biscuit crust, put cover on pail and set in kettle of boiling water and boil one hour steadily, turn out bottom up on plate and serve with sauce.

Sauce for Pudding

Two tablespoonfuls of butter, melt in pan, add one tablespoonful of flour, when bubbling add boiling water and cook to the consistency of thin cream, remove from fire and add one cup sugar. Any fruit can be used in this recipe. J. A. D.

Sausage

To forty pounds meat add one pound salt one fourth pound sage, one fourth pound pepper, two tablespoonfuls ginger. Mrs. W. W.

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FOR SPRAINS. One large spoonful of honey, one of salt and the white of an egg. Beat well together, let stand for an hour and anoint the place sprained with the oil which will be produced by this mixture. MRS. M. E. BASKETT.

TO CLEAN BLACK LACE. Take the lace and wipe off all the dust carefully with a cambric hand-kerchief. Then pin it on a board, inserting a pin in each projecting point of the lace. Sponging, it all over and do not remove the pins until it is perfectly dry. It will look quite fresh and new.

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To Prepare Starch. Take two tablespoonfuls
of starch and make into a paste with cold water,
add to it one pint of boiling water; place on the
lire, let it boil, stirring often, until it looks transarent: add a piece of spermaceti about the size
of a very small marble, or the same amount of
alt; this keeps the starch from sticking to the
rons.

PRESERVING FLOWERS. Dip into melted paraffine, withdraw quickly; the paraffine should simply
be melted, not hot; the flowers should be fresh
ar perfectly dry; they should be dipped one at
a time, holding them by the stalk, moving them
gently to prevent air bubbles.

MES. ROBEET NASON.

TO RE-CUEL OSTRICH PEATHERS. The simplest way to recurl feathers is to shake them before a clear fire, then with a paper knife or the blunt side of a pen knife coax them to their original form, treating each tendril separately. Another way is to dampen the feathers and curl them round waving hair pins, leaving them for twenty-four hours, then loosen the waves by the gentle application of a comb.

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Mrs. Maurice is called from Europe by the death of her verseer, Robert Mitchell, whese wife, Eliza, is sheltered by Mrs. Maurice. Loving Marcia, Eliza intercedes with a letter. It is returned unopened. Dr. Eggleston and lishop Vivian plead for Marcia. The latter gives Mrs. Maurice a letter. Marcia is dying, and he asks the nother to be merciful. Mrs. Maurice writes the word, Come." Marcia Kent is brought home. Three days atter she dies in her mother's arms, and Eglah Kent is iven to the care of the foster-mother, Eliza.

Noel Herrictt visits Mrs. Maurice and brings papers announcing Judge Kent's marriage to his stepmother, Mrs. Nina Herrictt. Noel Herrictt will be friendly with Eglah. She only wants her father. Eliza is wakened rom a sound sleep by Eglah. She hears her grand-nother call "Egbert," "Marcia." They enter the meaorial chamber where Mrs. Maurice sits in the silence hat death consecrates. Eliza guards Eglah. Two years after Mrs. Kent is suddenly killed. "Father." Temple, ousin to Judge Kent, invites Noel Herrictt to Calvary touse. He inquires of Eglah and her religious tendenies. Noel advises him to let the child pick her own ray to peace.

cousin to Judge Kent, invites Noel Herriott to Univary House. He inquires of Egiah and her religious tendencies. Noel advises him to let the child pick her own way to peace.

The rector of St. Hyacinth is called away and Father Tempie expiains his presence. Leighton Dane, a boy soloist, held spollbound by Father Tempie's magnetic voice, asks if he may learn the words he speaks. The boy passes two hyacinths to the Father, who reproaches him for touching sacred gifts. The boy admits he brings them. A sob and tears follow. Egiah recognizes in a cash boy the soloist of St. Hyacinth's. His mother, Mrs. None Dane, has the glove counter at — Fourteenth St. Noel and Egiah drive to a department store. Egiah makes the desired purchase. It is part of the business to fit the gloves, but the woman's repellent bearing proclaims all intercourse is restricted to the business of the counter, and the wish to mention the chorister of St. Hyacinth's is extinguished. Noel learns Mrs. Dane's history. She is an avowed socialist of the extreme type. A note is left and the menace to Judge Kent's peace of mind is discovered. Noel Herriott offers to Egiah the unshared low of his life. She trusts and admires him but will marry no one. Noel Herriott offers to Egiah the unshared low of his life. She trusts and admires him but will marry no one. Noel Herriott man and asks to take the boy to ride. His mother refuses all help. Egiah realises her father's restlessness and her bitter disappointment comes when he learns from Strangers his determination to reeign his senatorship. Father Temple visits Mrs. Dane. He finds in her his long lost wife. She refuses all pleadings and the privilege of caring for his boy. The law frees her—she is not his wife. Leighton begs for his father, who recognizes no validity in divorce. Egiah's father watchet, impatiently for the announcement of her acceptance of Herried. Her father warms her of bitter consequences. Egiah questions Noel why her father resigns the senatorship. Vernon baptizes his boy. He begs to be c

pody of his dead boy vernon again asks his wife's forgiveness. She cannot forget and requests to be alone
with her dead.

The barrier between Judge Kent and his daughter
threngthens with Eglah's assurance that Mr. Herriott
will not ask her the second time to marry him; she begs
for the old place in her father's heart. Defiance he
never forgives. Until she comes to an appreciation of
nis wishes, she can expect only the courtesies one cannot avoid. Eglah goes to walk. Herriott finds her in
the old Greco-Roman theater at Aix-les-Bains and he
calizes an undisguised annoyance by his presence. Mrs.
Mitchell asks Herriott to explain the cause of Judge
Kent's secretiveness. She cannot see Eglah break her
neart over his selfshness.

In a street strike Mrs. Dane is seriously injured.
Father Temple takes her to a hospital. Dying she forrives everything. Eglah and her father return to Nutwood, Mrs. Maurice's old home. Mr. Whitfield continues
alis stewardship. Judge Kent is called away. He refuses
an explanation and Eglah froots the world with calm dehance. She learns from a newspaper clipping the cause
of her father's resignation.

Father Temple tries to dissuade Mr. Herriott from his
roposed Polar trip. Eglah receives and reads a letter
rom Mrs. St. Clair concerning Mr. Herriott's future
lans. Eglan hears footsteps, and her father's voice,
Eglah will be home soon." Herriott is glad to talk in
er absence. Judge Kent knows the deplorable matter to
which herefers.

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VERY word came distinctly through the lace-hung doorway, and Eglah rose, reluctant to overhear that which it was evident the speaker wished withheld from her; but an overmastering desire to understand once for all conditions that had so long perplexed her, coerced her to remain. There was grave trouble, and she must suffer after—why not now? A full comprehension was the first step toward defence.

"I am surprised that you should intentionally emoarrass me, but I suppose you refer to the United States and railroad bonds that were hypothecated. I knew you had redeemed them, delivered them to the college, and I honed when I parted with the house in 'Inirty-eighth street that I could turn it over to vou in part payment of that bond business; but an unfortunate venture reduced me to such urgent need, I was obliged to take the money you offered through Trainem. Don't interrupt me—now you have forced me to speak, I want no renewal of this matter. Except the trustees and their attorneys, no one remembers the unjust clause in your father's will that Nina should have the New York house and certain stocks outright, but only the interest on those bonds which at her death should belong to the Presbyterian College. Munificent provision for the widow of a reputed multimillonaire! Since you have so kindly and generously recovered the bonds and delivered them to the trustees, I see no necessity for this revival of so disagreeable a subject, and certainly no propriety in dragging before Eglah what does not concern her. The trusteeship under which her own estate-is held at present, prevents my

"But you swore in ignorance of facts learned since."

"No, only in ignorance of the personality of some who contributed to Keith's ruin. I am the most unhappy poor devil on earth, but no honorable alternative is allowed me, and tonight I go on to Duncan and deliver the box. I must meet the vessel which touches at Sydney, Cape Breton, on the 15th, and I have no time to spare. I shall come back this afternoon to see Eglah and say good by, and I can only hope that after calm consideration of all the circumstances embarrassing me, you will not censure me for a deplorable course of action which my sense of honor makes absolutely imperative."

Judge Kent sat facing the Madras drapery towards which Mr. Herriott's back was turned, and at this moment a glass door leading to the colonnade opened; the draught of air blew the curtain into the library, and the Judge saw his daughter silp quickly from his bedroom. With a vague hope of gaining time, he said unsteadily:
"I am so stunned, I am not myself. That you should sweep me and mine to destruction seems incredible; but, nevertheless, will you stay and dine?"

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In crucial hours, when some crisis wrecks plans, landmarks, life-long aims, the brain works with preternatural clearness and celerity. Through the torturing ordeal of that half hour Eglah had listened, numb with shame and horror. The world seemed to have dissolved in a night that could know no dawn; yet, groping in this chaos, two desperate resolves nerved her.

She would secure that box of papers, no matter at what cost. Her father should be saved from disgrace, and he should never suspect she knew his guilt. She must see Mr. Herriott before she saw her father. Swiftly she matured her resolution; then an unusual glitter came into her lovely soft eyes, and she sat down between the chestnut trees and waited.

At a quick stride, Mr. Herriott descended the avenue until nearly opposite the seat, and she rose and walked toward him.

Their hands met in a tight, clinging clasp, but for an instant neither spoke. He noted that the blood had ebbed from her lips, and that she was frightfully pale, but the eyes lifted to his glowed unnaturally.

"If intended coming back later, to spend an hour with you and say good by, as—"
"Never to say good by again! You shall not leave me."

She drew him down to the seat beside her, and he smiled at the imperious tone, so suggestive of her childish days.

"You do not understand conditions, unless—when and you see your father?"

"Not since last night. He went fishing at daylight."

"Then you do not know that I came to bid you farewell before sailing for the Arctic circle?"

"Yes. I have not seen father today, but this letter from Mrs. St. Clair arrived by the morning mail. Mr. Herriott, I am the most miserable woman God ever made, and I want to turn to you now, but I scarcely know just how to do so. Once—that night in Washington—you said you would never change, that you would always love absence—". She paused and the frozen face crimsoned.

He caught his breath and leaned towa

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CHAPTER XLIV.

A SUDDEN FLITTING.

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After his departure, she sought Virgie, with a very grave face, and explained the nature of his business, which caused the young girl to exclaim, with astonishment:

"Why, mamma, it is the strangest romance in the world! I never heard anything like it!"

"Well, dear, get yourself ready as soon as possible, for we must leave town this afternoon, as there is no time to lose," her mother replied, as she arose to go to make her own preparations for the proposed journey.

"But, mamma, what shall I do about Rupert?"

Virgie asked, looking troubled.

Mrs. Alexander's face fell at the mention of the young man's name.

She had scarcely slept during the previous night, for many things troubled her and, among others, the thought that Virgle's engagement to Rupert Hamilton seemed likely to complicate matters very much when she should be ready to make her claim upon Sir William Heath.

"You can leave a note telling him that we are obliged to leave town for a while, and we can explain further to him when we ascertain just how we are to be situated," her mother replied, after considering a moment.

So, when Rupert called that evening, he found only a note awaiting him instead of the bright face he had hoped to see, while it told him that his betrothed and her mother had been unexpectedly called away from London upon important business, which might detain them a week, perhaps longer.

"It is very strange that she does not mention where they are going," he said, as he read the note over for the second time, and remarked this omission. "Mrs. Alexander acted very strangely last evening. I wonder if this sudden departure can have had anything to do with that?"

He retraced his steps, feeling unaccountably depressed over the absence of Virgie and he resolved to seek an interview with Sir William and acquaint him with the fact of his engagement that very evening.

He did not, however, find his guardian upon his return;

business, his valet told the young man, and would not be back until late; so he retired, resolving to improve the first opportunity on the morrow.

The next morning, after breakfast, he said, in a quiet aside:

"Can I have a few moments' conversation with you, Uncle Will?"

"Certainly, my boy. Come into the library in about ten minutes, and I will be there."

Lauv Linton, always on the alert for everything of a mysterious nature, and doubly keen now to suspect mischief, heard this request, and at once resolved to become acquainted with the nature of the interview.

Sir William's chamber was just back of the library, although there was no door communicating with it.

The same furnace-pipe, however, conducted heat to the two rooms, and, by stationing herself close to this, her ladyship knew she could overhear whatever might pass between the two men. She therefore slipped quietly into her brother's bedroom, locked the door, and, creeping close to the register, laid her eager ear against it.

Rupert was already with Sir William, for the housekeeper had detained Lady Linton for a few moments with questions regarding some domestic matter, but she was in season to hear him broach the subject so near his heart.

"I have come to make a confession to you, Uncle Will," he said, as he scated himself opposite his guardian.

"A confession! Nothing very serious, I hope," said air William, glancing keenly into the flushed face of his ward.

"Yes I think it is of rather a serious nature," he returned, smiling slightly. "I wish to tell you that I have become deeply attached to Miss Alexander, to whom I introduced you last night, and to ask your sanction to our engagement." "Aha! has it gone so far as that?" inquired Sir William. "I began to surmise last evening that she was taking your heart captive, but did not imagine matters had reached a crisis yet.

"On't you think her lovely, Uncle Will?" Rupert asked, eagerly.

"Yery lovely; but, my boy, the ocean rolls between England and America. I cannot bear the thought of a separatio

"Are you sure that the family is one with which you will feel proud to ally yourself?" Sir William inquired.

"I know but very little concerning their family," Rupert admitted. "I doubt if they have any, but everything about them indicates that they are above reproach, while Mr. Knight, the gentleman whom I met in America, and of whom you have often heard me speak, introduces them, and he is of irreproachable character. He occupies a high position in New York, and it is in compliance with his request that they are presented here, and chaperoned by the Huntingtons."

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"The Huntingtons are all right, and would introduce no one regarding whom there was any question," Sir William said, in a satisfied tone.

"Is Mrs. Alexander as much of a beauty as her daughter?" he concluded, smillingly.

"Hard?" he concluded, smillingly.

"Hardly in my eyes," returned the young man, with heightened color; "and yet she is a remarkably handsome woman. I hope I may he able to arrange for you to make their acquaintance very soon; but until then please regard what I have told you as strictly confidential."

"Ah! Then you do not intend to announce your engagement just yet," remarked Sir William, with some surprise.

"No. sir. At Mrs. Alexander's request, we shall delay it for the present, until she secures the property of which I have already spoken."

"How much of an heiress is your pretty fiancee going to be, Rupert?" his guardian asked.

"I cannot tell. I do not even know of what this property consists," the young man answered, thoughtfully.

"I am afraid there is something a little mysterious about these ladies. Doesn't it strike you so?" inquired Sir William, gravely, yet without a suspicion of the wonderful truth.

Rupert knew there was, but he was not going to confess it, and he repiled, evasively:
"I do not imagine there is anything but what will soon be satisfactorily explained to us all."
Lady Linton, hearing all this, and knowing so much more than either Rupert or her brother, grew deadly faint as she listened and realized how near she stood to the verge of a terrible exposure.

Just then there came a brisk tap upon the library door, and the next moment Lillian put her bright face into the room and looking as lovely as the morning itself in her white flannel wrapper, fastened at the waist with cherry ribbons, and with her hands full of Jacqueminot roses.

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"Pardon me, Uncle Will," she said, flushing; "I did not know that you were engaged with anyone; I have just received a box of flowers and came to arrange some for your table. May I come in? I won't be long."

"Yes, indeed, come in; you are doubly welcome coming with so much beauty and fragrance," said her uncle, smiling.

Rupert arose as she entered, and asked with an arch smile:

"What enamored swain has been guilty of the extravagance of lavishing such costly flowers upon you, Lillian?"

"Lord Ernest Rathburn is the donor; he has exquisite taste. I wish you could have seen the box when it came," the girl replied, with a conscious drooping of her brilliant eves.

"Come to Middlewich at once. William has had a dangerous fall.

Maegaret Heath."

Middlewich was the country seat of the nobleman to whom the baronet's cousin, William theath, was private secretary, and it was to this place that he was now so peremptorily summinus.

Lady Linton, in her hiding place, heard her brother read this telegram with a thrill of joy. She was glad of anything that would take him out of London and away from the danger of meeting "that woman," and she resolved that it should go hard with her if she could not find some way of opposing other barriers before his return. It was a desperate case, and she was prepared for desperate measures.

She crept out of her brotl r's chamber with a pale, drawn face, saying to herself that Rupert Hamilton should never fulfill his engagement

Lord Norton was pleased with this proposition, and Mr. Heath consented to take hold of the book at once, hoping to complete the copying while his lordship's strength endured to oversee the work and make important suggestions for his beneath.

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Of course, this necessitated numerous visits to be invalid, and it was while returning from one these that Mr. Heath's horse took fright, causity the accident and putting a stop to the protect which lay so near the old lord's heart. Similar william wrote that the disappointment of the the Duke of Falmouth and Lord Norton is so great that he had himself offered to se his cousin's place and finish the copying the book, while he remained at Middlewich in lendance upon his injured relative and his mily.

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Lady Linton was jubilant after receiving this letter, for it was evident that Sir William would be detained at Middlewich for quite a while; meantime she would exert all the cunning of which she was mistress to ruin the woman whom she both feared and hated, and thus plant an insurmountable barrier between Rupert and his beautiful flance.

With this mad scheme in mind, she ascertained Mrs. Alexander's address, and boldly went one morning to face her enemy in her own domain. But she was bitterly disappointed to learn that she was not in town. She was away on a little trip, the landlady told her; she might be gone a week longer; she might not return even at the end of that time. "The rooms were paid for in advance for three months, so the woman had not asked when they would return, nor whither they were going, but she had heard the young lady say something about a visit to Edinburgh; possibly they had gone there."

Bo Ladv Linton had to rest on her belligerent oars for a season, though she resolved to be on the alert to act as soon as Mrs. Alexander and her daughter should return.

A couple of weeks later she went one morning to do some shopping for Lillian on Oxford street, and just as she was about to enter a fashionable furnisuing store the door opened, a lady came out, and—she stood face to face once more with Mrs. Alexander.

An angry red suffused Lady Linton's face, an ominous flash lighted her cold, gray eyes.

"Ah! so you have returned," she said, sharply, and planting herself directly in the path of her foe.

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She was looking very lovely—so lovely, indeed, that her ladyship marveled at her beauty. She wore a black silk dress, simply made, but of richest texture, an elegant mantle of black velvet heavily trimmed with jet, a bonnet of the same material, relieved by three graceful ostrich tips of cream-white; and the dainty affair was bewitchingly becoming; her hands were faultlessly gloved, and a single half-blown Lamargue rose hau been drawn into one of the fastenings of her mantle, its pale yellow petals nestling lovingly among the rich folds of velvet. There was the daintiest bloom on her cheeks, her eyes were bright, her whole face animated, and she was a woman to attract admiring attention wherever she went.

Lady Linton congratulated herself that her brother was far from London, for she well knew that it would need but one glance at this beautiful picture to bring him a hopeless captive to her feet once more.

Mrs. Alexander slightly raised her brows at her ladyship's, abrupt manner of address, bowed politely, and would have passed on, but the other laid a detaining hand upon her arm, and drew her into a little vestibule just inside the "I want to speak to you," she said, authorita-

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"Certainly; I am at your service, Lady Linton," was the quiet, lady-like reply, and Virgle's full, blue eyes looked calmly down upon the sailow countenance before her, as she waited to learn why she had been so unceremoniously detained.

"Why have you come to London?" Lady Linton inquired, brusquely.

Mrs. Alexander drew herself up a trifle, and hesitated a moment before replying; then she said, gravely:

"Partly upon business; partly for health."

"Health!" scornfully repeated Lady Linton, with a quick upward glance into that beautiful, blooming face.

A musical laugh rippled over Mrs. Alexander's lips, and she flushed an exquisite color; for both glance and emphasis, although not so intended, were a marked compliment to her appearance.

"You think I do not need to go anywhere in search of health," she observed. "That is true, just now, although I was far from well when I left America."

"What is your 'business' here?" demanded her companion, ignoring her reply.

"Really, Lady Linton," Mrs. Alexander returned, coldly, "I do not know as I feel obliged to explain that to you just yet."

"Just yet!" repeated the other, with a sudden hearthound, "What am I to understand by that?"

"Just what you choose, Lady Linton."

"Is your 'business' connected in any way with that threat which you made in my presence more than eight years ago?"

"Ah! then you have not forgotten what happened more than eight years ago?"

Lady Linton colored angrily.

"I could almost wish that I had died then rather than that you should have saved me?" she said, passionately.

"Why?"

"Gravely, almost solemnly, the brief inquiry was made.

"Boston I hate you! You came between me."

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"Because I hate you! You came between me and some of my brightest hopes. Because

"No, it is not wholly that," Virgie interposed quietly, while her grave, beautiful eyes searched Lady Linton's face, with something of pity in them: "It is because you have injured me, and one is apt to dislike and shrink from another

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(11 PH) WARREN. ander is the woman of your choice—if you are sure that she alone can make you happ—then I can only say Heaven bless you and grant that your future may be all that you desire.

"Thank you, Uncle Will. I—I hope you do not disapprove of my choice of a wife?" Ruperts aid, regarding his guardian's grave face anxious-ly.

"No, no." returned the baronet, hastily. "admired the little lady very much during the few moments that I spent with her last evening. She seems a lovely girl. My first thought was that she might take you from a merica, she late the model of the comparison. "And who may this paragon of manily excellence the model of the comparison." Any who may this paragon of manily excellence be Mr. Hamilton, if I may inquire?" Lillian asked, with a toss of her head, man, with whom I have no fasther."

"No, it is may be all that you found the last evening. The property in the country of the purpose of the property in the country for the purpose of the pur





mine it. (2) Your statements are too incomplete for us to form an opinion as to your second question. You must submit a complete copy of the will, with the parts you have left blank filled in.

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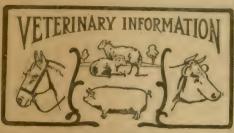
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a.—I have a mule four years old that has a tween her fore legs, four inches long and two a width, and it feels like natural flesh. What o for it?

.—The "bunch" doubtless was caused by the ng struck repeatedly by the neck yoke or by on manger. Treatment is unnecessary, but in some idodine olatment each other day may be tumor in size. If a tumor is quite hard treatment other than the knife for removal s.

Please send me information to make a eat.

C. H. S.

LIX.—It is necessary to find and remove the of lack of appetite and that may be one of a number of different causes. A dram of fluid to finux vomica given along with two drams of extract of gentian root and two to four ounces iskey in water to make half a pint, given night corning as a drench usually will start a horse

NESS.—I have a mare that got hurt in front tween the hoof and ankle joint. The foot forward and is hard; it is getting larger, a been swollen. It was done the first of y. She hasn't been used. Mrs. G. C. T.—Clip the hair from the hoof-head and and blister at intervals of three weeks, rubthoroughly for fifteen minutes some of a mixone dram of binlodide of mercury in two of cerate of cantharides. Wash the blister hree days; then apply lard daily. Keep her short while blister is acting or she will e part.

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VOLLEN JOINT; SCAR.—(1) I have a mare two sold. Seven or eight months ago she cut her back leg just a trifle below the knee. It seemed to the lack leg just a trifle below the knee. It seemed of the until a week ago when her leg swelled badly. took the distemper about the same time. The cut alled but she has a large knee. She walks on the fairly good. (2) I also have a mare three years One and one half years ago she cut her foot above the hoof, it bled considerably; at first ed to do all right. Proud flesh got in. I finally di that. A gristle of some sort grew in the sand I cannot get it to heal.

PLY.—(1) You mean the hock joint. The knee is he fore leg. Remove the hair and blister the repeatedly with cerate of cantharides at interform of one month. (2) Blistering the hoof-head, removal of the hair, also will do good in this The blister may be repeated at intervals of or three weeks. Scrape the sore thoroughly and apply twice daily a mixture of equal parts nel, subnitrate of bismuth and boracic acid. Use powder when the blister has been washed off in dags.

The operation can only be done by an exix Horse.—My horse acts as if he had the bots,
ows his head in the air, and turns his lip up. He
hide bound, eats all the time and won't pick
en when he is not working. Once when he
own he could hardly get up on his hind legs,
why raised himself up on his front legs. I behat he has kidney worms, will you please tell
iat is good for it.

L. G. E.
tr.—Bots are practically harmless and horses do
fer from kidney worms. More likely he has worms
intestines and is unable to rise from genebility. Mix together four ounces each of
sulphate of iron, powdered nux vomica, gentian
in feaugreek and give a tablespoonful in his
light and morning. Have his teeth attended to
veterinary dentist. Let him have a box stall
in the stable. Feed plenty of sound, old oats
b) and old hay.

Harry.—I have a horse that is thin and keeps

PUFF.—I have a colt ten days old. When born it d a puff or swelling side of each front knee joint, is soft, the swelling on one joint has gone, but e other remains. It has good health otherwise.

REPLY.—Each other day rub in some jodine olint very thoroughly and other days simply hand rub e part twice a day.

TUMOR.—My mare has a bruise on her shoulder. A onth ago it grew large and I opened it and it a yellow water; it has stopped running and formed gristle.

REPLY.—External applications will do no good. The mor should be removed by dissection; then treat the

tumor should be removed by dissection; then treat the cavity by packing it once daily with oakum saturated in a mixture of equal parts turpentine and raw linseed oil.

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SUMMER SORE.—I am a resident of Florida. We have some kind of an insect that attacks our horses indicately, that are on the range in July and August, each of the bone and while it is working its way there is nothing to show only a little hole and a bloody ubstance. We cut the place with a sharp knife and turn the insect out with a hot iron. I do not think his is the proper treatment. This insect only attacks cattle on marshes in July and August. E. W. K. Reply..—We suspect that the parasite is florid irright which causes a form of "summer sore," by and inding its way into small scratches or abrasures of he skin. Smearing the parts with a mixture of rude oil and flowers of sulplur or oil of tar and shi way into small scratches or abrasures of he skin. Smearing the parts with a mixture of rude oil and flowers of sulplur or oil of tar and shi way into small scratches or abrasures of he skin. Smearing the parts with a mixture of rude oil and flowers of sulplur or oil of tar and shi way into small scratches or abrasures of he skin. Smearing the parts with a mixture of rude oil and flowers of sulplur or oil of tar and shi way into small scratches or abrasures of he skin. Smearing the parts with a mixture of rude oil and flowers of sulplur or oil of tar and shi way into small scratches or abrasures of the knee and is soft. I have used several different remedies, but nothing seems to do any good, the mile as not lame, but it spoils the sale of it. R. R. REPLY.—Keep the mule tied up so he cannot lie down. Clip the hair from the knee and once daily in he same way. The latter also may be injected into ny holes that may be found in the sores.

CARED UDDER.—I have a cow five years old. The

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CARED UDDEE.—I have a cow five years old. The ight side of udder will cake and get hard. I rub ith vinegar and coal oil; it will go down, but rems if I stop rubbing it with the vinegar and oil.

REPLY.—Tuberculosis of the udder may be causing to tumor and the cow should be tested with tubers. If found free from the disease then rub in a title iodine ointment each other day and give helf dram of lodide of potash night and macraing for ur successive days a week, unless she is pregnant, such conditions often prove incurable.

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QUITTOR.—I have a little bay mare that had ber right fore foot cut on the wire about two years ago. At times it gets so she can walk, then again she can't put the foot to the ground. Her leg is swollen from her knee down and her foot is, swollen to twice its normal size and will rise and burst. When that place gets well will rise and burst in another place.

REPLY.—Such a case is hopeless unless you can employ a graduate veterinarian to operate for the removal of the dead and diseased tissues that are causing

the repeated breaking out of pus. Home treatment will not avail.

GOITER.—I have some Cocker Spaniel pupples. When about two weeks old a swelling developed under their chin in the upper part of the throat; they seem to grow and cause the pupples difficulty to swallow. Four out of the eight have died—they also act as if they had a bad cold and rattle when they breathe.

REPLY.—The thyroid glands are enlarged and the condition constitutes goiter to which pupples from weak or inbred stock are liable. Paint enlargements with tincture of iodine each other day and give two to three grains of foldie of potsab in capsule twice daily but stop for a few days at the first sign of this medicine disagreeing. Feed emuision of cod liver oil and also same doses of syrup of hypophosphites and iron as would be given to a child, the latter not to be given when the capsules are being used.

BEITTLE HOOFS.—I have a good horse and young;

and from as would be given to a child, the latter not to be given when the capsules are being used. Worms often are present and in that case suitable treatment should be given for their removal.

BRITTLE HOOFS.—I have a good horse and young; he is always kept shod; his hoofs are brittle—the outside of hoof will break just at top of shoe and crumble up and shoes come loose. It is almost impossible to keep shoes on him.

REFLY.—Mix together two parts oil of tar and one part balsam of fir and apply every other night at juncture of horn and hair all around the hoof.

BLEEDING; EYE DISEASE.—(1) I have a work horse that has spells of bleeding. He will raise his head quite high about every five minutes and cough. About a pint of blood will gush from his mouth and nose. He had a spell like this about six weeks ago that lasted about two hours and another on the 25th of last month. (2) I also have a milch cow, her eyes turn a milky color and she has been blind for about a week.

REPLY.—(1) He may have a polypus (tumor) in nostril at back of throat and that would have to be removed by an operation requiring a qualified veterinarian. If nothing of the kind is found mix two drams of dried sulphate of iron once an hour in a pint of cold water as a drench. Also apply ice or cold, wet swabs to the poil of the head. (2) This is contagious ophthalms so that it is "catching" to other cattle. Keep her isolated in the darkened stable. Twice daily sponge her eyes with a saturated solution of boracic acid and each other day puff between eyelids a little of a mixture of equal parts finely powdered calomel and boracic acid.

LAMB BACK.—We have a mule that is about eight years old and last fall he got to kicking in the barn and I think he hurt his back. He got better and we went to working him again, but he got worse and since then has been in the pusture. When he walks his hind quarters sway and he knuckles down and can hardly set along, and at times he has spells that he can hardly stand up. The cords in his neck draw up stiff and he

easily digested, nutritive food.

FUNGUS HEMATODS.—I have a large, spotted cow which caived about the first of last June. She was in fine shape till about two weeks ago when the left eye was noticed to be swelling out. It kept getting bigger and I had a veterinary look at it. He said it was caused from a cancer shoving it out. He burnt it with causic, but it seems to burn a black seab all over it and then it peels off again. The eye is as large as a tea cup and swelled out about two inches. There seems to be no eye part left, nothing but a big ball of raw meat. The other eye seems to be affected. The cow is running down in flesh, but still eats. The doctor said the milk was good.

REPLY.—The cow has an incurable, malignant, cancerous eye disease known as "fungus hematoide" and her milk is not fit for use as she is running down in condition. There is no cure and she should be put

condition. There is no cure and she should be put out of her misery.

GROWTH; TONIC; SHOEBOIL.—(1) I have a mare that was cut in a drag about a year ago and it has left a large bunch on her fetlock. Can you advise me what to use to reduce it? (2) How long can the sulphate of iron, gentian root, nux vomica and fenuereek tonic be fed to a horse? (3) What can be done for a shoeboil that has been on the horse for two years?

REPLY.—(1) The bunch cannot be removed. (2) As a rule the tonic need not be given for longer than ten days to two weeks but may be repeated later if improvement does not prove permanent. (3) Have it cut out by a veterinarian. There is no other effective treatment of old, organized shoeboils.

STRINGY MILE.—For more than two weeks, our cow has been giving milk, that, when allowed to stand for ten or twelve bours the cream becomes stringy. When the cream sours and is lifted with a spoon there will be a "rope" of several inches hang to the spoon like a half beaten egg. Has an offensive odor when sour. The cow is in fair condition and seems to be in perfect health. Has had no bruised or sore udder that we can tell. Gives three gallons of milk daily. Calf five months old. Will be fresh sgan in January.

REPLY.—"Stringy" or "ropy" milk is due to the presence of bacteria (microorganisms) on the udder, in the stable and in and on all of the utensils used to receive and keep milk. Clean up, disinfect and whitewash the cow stable. See that the drinking water is pure and all food sweet and clean. Then scald all milk utensils and sun dry them. Also cleanse the cow's udder and the milker's bands before milking. Boiling water kills the germs alluded to.

NASAL GLEBT.—I have a mare about eight years old which has had a continued running at the nose for

Bolling water kills the germs alluded to.

Nasal Glebri.—I have a mare about eight years old which has had a continued running at the hose for one year. Sometimes blood, and sometimes a thick yellow mucous. No odor.

Refly.—In chronic nasal catarrh a polypus (tumor) may be present or there may be a diseased molar tooth. In the latter case, however, there would almost certainly be a bad odor. If a tumor is present it has to be removed by operation and a bad tooth has to be extracted by trephining. These operations have to be done by a qualified veterinarian. If no such causes are present syringe out the nostril once daily with one teaspoonful of tannic acid in a plnt of water and in the feed night and morning for ten days give one dram of dried sulphate of copper (powdered) and again, for ten days, one dram of iodide of potash. Alternate these three drugs for periods of ten days each until animal recovers. Such cases are obstinate.

Founder.—I have a fine mare. After I get through

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FOUNDER.—I have a fine mare. After I get through plowing she seems to get stiff feet. Seems to be very must. I can't find any swelling anywhere in foot, leg or shoulder. She is fat and eats and looks well. I don't work only to plow. Can you tell me a remedy?

REPLY.—She doubtless has been foundered. Greatly reduce her grain ration so she will become less fat. Put 'tar and oakum dressing and a thick leather sole under her flat, bar shoes. Clip hair from hoofheads of fore feet and blister twice a month with cerate of cantharides. This may do some good, but chronic founder (alaminitis) is incurable.

COPPED KNEE.—We have a mule that has an on-

water. Do not feed corn in summer. Give her half an ounce of finely granulated hyposulphite of soda in feed once daily. See that chicken lice do not get at her.

COUGH, LUNG WORMS; TUBERCULOSIS.—(1) We have a cow eigh. years old; she began failing sway last spring, but not bad till about six weeks ago then acted stiff, didn't eat, front legs tremble, about a week are head and neck swelled up and she died, cut her open; on one side of heart was a three-cornered ridge; when opened seemed to be a growth filled with pustified the property of the seemed soft and lungs turned black. She had quite a bad cough, nose run some gave a nice mess of milk up to six weeks ago, fell off in a week to about one half cuptul. (2) I lost ten yearnings last summer, when opened had small red worms in langs, but like worms in chickens' windples what the gapes, only these were from one to six inches long; yearlings coughed and rin to the nose as though they were choking, tongue run out of mouth, would fail down as though dead and after a while froth would run out of their mouths; they would get better, when they died investigated it and found to the worms, what is cause and cure? (3) I have a dairy of cows, they all cough and run to the nose. It is a cold of the worms in the long is a foreign body such as a needle, pin or nail in the heart is not uncommon and causes both cough and abscess. There is no cure. (2) Young cattle become affected with lung worms (strongylus micrurus) on old, tainted pastures. Best to house and yard feed them until one year old as a trongylus micrurus on old, tainted pastures. Best to house and yard feed them until one year old as a trongylus micrurus on old, tainted pastures. Best to house and yard feed them until one year old as a trongylus micrurus) on old, tainted pastures. Best to house and yard feed them until one year old as a trongylus micrurus on old, tainted pastures. Best to house and yard feed them until one year old as a repertine and oil syringe. This should be done by the veterinarian. (3) The c

gradually causes debility, emaciation and death, as in consumption of man.

GAEC ... Will you please tell me what is the matter with my cow? Every week or so the sack above her teat swells, and gets hard and seems to have a lump in it, also has fever, then the lumps come out in the milk. The milk looks all right which she gives in the affected teat except it has lumps in it which look something like curdled milk. It will be that way for several days then it will be all right for a week or two and sometimes longer. All of her teats have been that way, but not so often as the ones on the left side. She has been that way for about two years that we know of. She seems to be in good condition in every other way and will freshen in her milk in about five months. She gives about a gallon of shik but we do not use it.

BEPLY.—In all such cases the first step should be to have the cow tested with tuberculin as tuberculosis of the adder is to be suspected and if it is present the cow is unfit for use in the dairy, being a source of dancer to man and animals alike. In any case where garget has been chronic for two years there is practically so hope of permanent recovery and such a cow is an unprofitable animal for dairying purposes. If she proves to be free from tuberculosis she should be fattened off for sale or slaughter.

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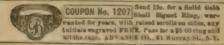
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OW comes the rich, ripe, crimson month of October, my dears, and we are done with the summer for another year. This is a lovely time to meet nature in her quieter moods and the girl who cannot enjoy this season of the year should make a study of herself to find out what the matter is, for something must be radically wrong. Spring is delightful, but it means morning time and growing, while October is evening and nature rests from her labors. But human beings do not, and work is with them always. That is one reason why I musn't talk any longer, but get at the work to be done.

The first letter I open is from Spitfire of Ochelater, Oklahoma, and she really spits fire at the young men who live in her neighborhood. I hope they are not all as black as she paints them, because if they are, I don't see how she can live among them. She ought to open a Reform School for their benefit.

In Hopes, Gloversville, N. Y.—Live in hope and do not make any effort to bring the young doctor your way. If he wants to come he will do so, and if he does not, no earthly power can bring him.

Stubborn Sis, Battle Creek, Mich.—The young men have a way of putting their arms around the girls

other way.

at's Sweetheart, La Crosse, Wis.—Wait until you of age and do as you please about marrying honorable young man.

I. N., Fennimore, Wis.—Don't let him be any more ou than a speaking acquaintance. He is a flirt will treat you as he has treated others you wof. Some men love to be "lady killers" and is one. Draw the line tight on him and keep rawn. Let him know there is one girl, at least, cannot deceive by his smooth talk.

Outhern Girl, Atlanta, Ga.—You are doing quite to educate your small brother, and would be go better to marry the rich man who wants you a wife, if he is a good man. The fact of his goorn in another country is of no weight, if the is honorable and kindly and would make a good band.

see it. Why don't you let him go and have nothing to do with him? Some girls are awfully silly about young men.

There, my dears, all your questions are answered and I am sure most of you will be quite satisfied, though some are pretty sure to think I have been a little scoldy. But it is all for the best and let us take heart and try to be happy even in our troubles. Now, by by, and may all of us be in the Lord's good care till we meet again.

COUSIN MARION.

Virgie's Inheritance

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 15.)

not hurt me, and I fear they will but recoil upon your own head. Believe me, I would much rather be upon friendly terms with you. I feel more like forgiving the injuries of the past than cherishing hostile feelings. I could even at this moment take your hand—the hand that wrote such cruel things of me so many years ago—and say, Let us be at peace; but you will not, and I must go my way and leave you to go yours, hoping that before it is too late for repentance to avail you anything, a better spirit may possess you."

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You defy me then?" said Lady Linton, through tightly closed teeth.

"Oh, no; I do not defy you," was the pleasant rejoinder. "You are very angry, Lady Linton, because I will not allow myself to be frightened and browbeaten by you, but you will feel differently by and by when you come to consider matters in another light. I would rather do you a kindness than harm, and, by the way, I have a package belonging to you which I mean to return to you very soon."

"A package belonging to me! Where did you get it?"

"It is one that I have had many years, but I have only recently discovered that it is yours."

"It is impossible that you can have anything of mine," returned Lady Linton, coldly.

Her companion smiled slightly, then said:
"An uncle of mine was returning from the far East some twelve or thirteen years ago, and, on his way from London to Edinburgh, rode in the same railway carriage with a lady who got out at one of the way stations. He never knew which station it was, for he had fallen asleep shortly after leaving London, and when he awoke she was gone. He found a package, however, which she had dropped and which he could not return, because there was no name upon it, therefore he was forced to take it home to America with him. He confided it to me on his deathbed with the injunction to return it to the owner if I should ever be so fortunate as to meet her. I discovered on the evening of our meeting at Lady Dunforth's that you were the owner."

"I assure you that you are mistaken. I never lost a package in a railway carriage," returned Lady Linton, haughtily.

"No, but a friend to whom you confided it, lost it."

"What—who?" demanded her ladyship, with a

Great neavens: have you got that? At hist-burst from her quivering lips, in a tone of horror.

"Yes; it is a singular coincidence, is it not?" inquired her companion, serenly. "However I will return it to you very soon. And now, good-morning, Lady Linton. This will be a very busy day for me, and I must not tarry longer."

With these words, Vrginia Alexander swept by the stricken woman with a courteous inclination of her head, and went on her way, apparently unruffled by anything that had occurred during the spirited interview with her sworn enemy, Sir William Heath's sister.

Lady Linton stood for a moment or two utterly motionless, almost paralyzed by the startling revelations which her brother's former wife had just made to her, and then she, too, tottered from the place, murmuring:

"To think that she, of all persons, should have had that during these years! What a fool I have been! But," she continued, with an ominous glitter in her steely eyes, "the die is cast—it will now take desperate measures indeed to secure my own safety and accomplish her defeat."

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She returned directly home, for she had neither the strength nor the heart to purchase fashionable gewgaws for Lillian; at least until she had recovered somewhat from the shock she had just received.

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cheery letters and put something substantial inside them.

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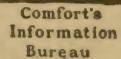


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Lady Isabel's Daughter

For Her Mother's Sin

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splendid suite of apartments, and gave herself into the h.nds of Annette Varnelli, and two ho s later she issued from them a shining vision whose beautiful marble mask seemed too delicate and innocent to own a crafty heart.

Twilight deepened into night, a faint May moon lifted its silvery crescent over the treetops and glittered in a field of twinkling stars, the carriages began to roll up and deposit their sparkling loads, the band in the glided gallery began to crash Weber and Chopin and Strauss, the glittering tide poured in and swelled to a per... crush, and so the home-coming reception was opened.

Lady Isabel received them with queenly dignity, standing by my lord's side, proud and happy in the glowing lights, her perfect figure shown to its full advantage through the folds of a masterpiece designed by Worth—a trailing robe of white velvet embossed in silver lilies; white lilies with silver leaves encircled the low-cut corsage; white leaves with silver lilies lifted a delicate web of misty lace, and left her beautiful arms bare to the exquisite shoulders; lilies of silver and white festooned the ample drapery, and trailed round to the end of the flowing train.

My lord's eyes followed her where'er she

tiful arms bare to the exquisite slouiders; lilies of silver and white festooned the ampic drapery, and trailed round to the end of the flowing train.

My lord's eyes followed her where'er she mo ed—this nameless nobody who had risen queen over all his glorious race and ruled her kingdom with a regal dignity that carried the world by storm.

"Oh, sweet! how glorious you are!" he murmured once, when they stood apart from the throng. "There is no other in the room—nay, in the world—to compare with you, my countess."

"Always think so Lionel," she responded sweetly. "It is love that dazzles your eyes—never let its golden glamour cepart."

"It never will—it never can!" he answered ardently. "It is my life that goes into this love, and they will end together. But where are you going, dear? See! the dance is at its height—surely you will not quit the room now?"

She seld up her calnty fan of white ostrich tips and showed him the silver sticks, snapped.

"I broke it in the last waltz with Lord Dynnelly," she said, smilingly. "The rooms are too crowded to send for a servant. It is but a step. Give me your arm as far as the staircase, Lionel, and I will get another fan."

She slipped her sparkling fingers through his coat. we as she spoke, and holding him captive for the last sweet hour of peace, walked with him into the wide corridor to the steps of the glittering staircase.

"Pray hasten," he said, as she slipped away and ran up the broad steps between the shining lights. "It will be duil enou h when my sun has set—let it rise again quickly, dear."

She paused midway on the staircase and looked back with a light laugh.

"I ought to stay to teach you how necessary we are too each other's lives," she said banteringly. "Foolish fellow! don't look so utterly desolate. I am all your own, Lionel—nothing on earth can ever take me from you."

How beautiful she was as she spoke those words, standing there with the hundred gas jets shining down upon her and love looking out of her glorious eyes. My lord always liked to remember

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A Speckled Bird

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more than I can resist. I can have you, my darling, for only a few short days, but the happiness of a lifetime shall glorify them. Tonight I must go to Ohio, to close up some business with my ward, Duncan Keith; then on to Greyledge for two days before starting for Cape Breton. Why dd you not give me this precious intimation earlier? You have always known what you are to me. Was it the news in Mrs. St. Clair's letter regarding my departure that pleaded for me in your proud, stubborn heart?" I never realized until today how much I need you. Mr. Noel this has come upon me so suddenly I am stunned. Give me a little time—till my mind clears. Let us see father at once; there are so many things to be arranged if—

universe will be so happy and blessed as ours. Ours! The word holds heaven. Are you cold, that you shiver so constantly? Come into the sunshine."

Pacing up and down the colonnade, Judge Kent watched them approaching. He looked worn, hunted, and a sickly pallor marked his usually florid face. Before Mr. Herriott could speak, he was startled by a strange hysterical sound from Egiah; not a cry, not a sob. As she looked at her father, her face lighted with a marvellous, yearning tenderness, and she sprang into his extended arms.

"Father, you will love me now! Kiss me, kiss me, Hold me tight—take me back to my place in your heart."

Only he could hear the low ripple of broken words, and his tears dripped on her face as he pressed his lips to hers.

"Herriott, what does it all mean?"

"That I am the happiest, proudest man on earth. Coming here to say good by to my swetheart, I shall carry my wife away with me."

"But she cannot go to the North Pole, and—you may not survive the dangers."

"When I know she is waiting at home for me, do you suppose all the ice in Greenland could she. me away from her?"

"We are never to be separated. Mr. Herriott could not wish anything so cruel."

She rose om tiptoe, put a hand on each wet cheek, and kissed her father twice.

Ar. Herriott looked at his watch.

"Egiah has consented to be married tonight, and my train leaves at eleven. There are several important matters to be arranged, and I should be glad to know her wishes."

She rong the bell, then stepped to his side and silpped her hand in his.

"Father's rector is absent, and I wish Bishop Vivian to perform the ceremony; he loved my grandmother, and she loved him."

Aaron appeared at the door.

"Tell Oliver to bring the trap around as soon as he can. Father, you must go is with Mr. Herriott. Mrs. Whitfield is sick but I want Mr. Whitfield and Lucy and Dr. Eggleston and his wife to be here. If you wish any others, invite them. Mr. Noel, what hour?"

"My dear Ma-Lila will never forgive me. She is away."

"Where? Could not a telegr

eyes.

He smiled, stooped, and pressed to his lips the slender fingers he held.

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"Set your mind at rest about Mrs. Mitchell. She shail be here, if I have to send a special for her."

When explanations and instructions had been given to Aaron and Minerva, Eglah went upstairs and locked herself in the room to which had been removed the furniture and portraits Mrs. Maurice held sacred. Up and down she walked, feeling that an iron band was throttling her. She and her father were drifting out to a black gulf of humiliation—of hopeless disgrace—and only that box of papers could rescue, anchor them in safety. Mr. Herrictt loved her so devotedly, she believed that when she was his wife he would yield the papers in answer to her prayers. If he refused? She recalled the ring of indignation in his voice when her father suggested bribing Duncan Keith. Marriage would give her immediate control of her estate, and surely her fortune could purchase the papers from the boy, when in her presence Mr. Herrictt delivered them to him. If all efforts failed, she would go down to ruin knowing she had left nothing undone to save her father, and now. at last, she had regained her place in his heart.

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the price? Her face burned, and she wrung hands. After tonight's ceremony, could she again respect herself? When Mr. Herriott w, would he despise her? Family portraits on wall caught her glance. Did the stainless prices, and her own young mother, watching in the Celestial City, see all the burden of me settling down on her shoulders? Would grandmother's cold, proud blue eyes look told you so," or soften in ten er pity for or Marcia's baby"? Public disgrace over cu so many would gloat, to escape such iny was any price too dear? The price—welf?

Any dear, sweet little mother: The cro hour came, and you were away. I may I scuttled ship, but I did what seemed best. S things you cannot understand now, but I k you love me too well to distress me with q tions—when I ask you to trust me. Pray your Baby."

"My beautiful my baby! What does all this centing some wants and the supply of the sup



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go with Mr. Herriott. He is the noblest man in all the world."

"Yes, but you have not just found that out; you have always known it. Now, do you love him? I am afraid you do not; and, my baby, marriage without loving a husband is.

Eglah laid a hand over Eliza's lips.

"Father is coming for me. I want to wear some titl, because you brought it to me. Pin two clusters under the folds of lace here, just over your baby's heart. Now, kiss Eglah Kent good by, and leave me with father walle you take off your hat and dry your eyes."

"My dear, are you ready?"

"Watt a few minutes for Ma-Lila. Father, if I cannot persuade Mr. Noel to abandon his journey, you must be sure to meet me when he telegraphs you and leaves me. I am inexpressibly unhappy, but if you will forget the last three years, and love me as in the dear old days, it will comfort and gladden me."

The clock chimed nine. Near the foot of the stairway Mr. Herriott waited, and when he came forward the almost unearthly beauty of Eglah's face made his heart throb with vague apprehension. It wore a rapt expression of supreme exaltation, as if a somnambulist waiked with eves fixed on some goal beyond a yawning black chasm.

Drawing her arm from her father's, she stepped to Mr. Herriott's side and laid her hand in his.

CHAPTER XXI.

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"I TRUSTED YOU ALMOST AS I TRUST MY GOD." "I TRUSTED YOU ALMOST AS I TRUST MY GOD."

The fast vestibuled train, forty minutes late, swung northward at a speed that kept the car in a quiver. There were few passengers, asleep in their berths, and Mr. Herriott had secured the drawing-room. It was new, luxurious in appointments, and to the end of the brass rod supporting the lamp in the center he had fastened a great sheaf of white carnations, sent by Mrs. Whitfield. Closing the sliding door that opened into the sleeper, he sat down beside the figure clad in a dark-blue cloth suit.

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Charlie's Fortune

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"Fortune smiled upon you," continued Fred.
"I admit it. What then?"
"It gave you an introduction to the family under very favorable conditions."
"I grant it," laughed Charlie, who could not think what the man was driving at.
"And especially to Miss Lynmore."
"I grant that too."
"She is very grateful to you."
"I know it."
"She is a very beautiful young lady."
"I am aware of it."
"She is the adopted daughter of Mr. Lynmore, who is worth millions."
"I know that, too," laughed Charlie.
"You seem to be very well posted."
"I am not aware that there is any secret in what you have been saying."
"Mr. Seagrain are you aware that you are doing another person a great wrong?" demanded Mr. Fred, desperately.
"I hadn't the least idea of it," said Charlie, more seriously.
"You are; but I was satisfied that you were not aware of it. You have the reputation of being a noble and magnanimous young gentleman who would not willfully wrong anyone—not even your enemy."
"I wouldn't wrong anyone, if I knew it."
"I believe it, Mr. Seagrain; and I know that you will sustain your character for magnanimity," added Fred, with enthusiasm.
"Life is short, and that word is long," said Charlie.
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boy.
"Charlie, thank you. We have always been
good friends, and, as you suggest, we will address
each other more familiarly. I am aware, Charlie,
that your early education was somewhat neglected; though I must confess that you have
made excellent use of your opportunities."
"Well, I have tried to do the best that I
could," replied Charlie, smiling at the patronizing
tone and manner of Mr. Fred. "And I haven't
done trying yet."
"You were brought up in this place, where
you didn't have any chance to learn the manners of polite society. It was your misfortune,
not your fault."
"What do you call polite society, Fred?"
"Such as the Lynmores."
"I get along first-rate there."
"I know you do; but there are some little
points in the etiquette and usages of polite soclety which you do not, perhaps, fully comprehend."
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"But Fred, I believe that some oystermen own villas on Staten Island. Are those hovels?"

"Certainly not, but I did not intend to use the word in an offensive sense."

"Go on, Fred," laughed Charlie.

"Suppose we freat the subject abstractly at first; and make it concrete after the principle is settled."

"Put it any way that you please, but put it."

"Hypothetically, then, suppose a voung gentleman of good character, of fine ability, and of excellent family, was deeply, earnestly, intensely, I may say, madly, in love with Miss Lynmore, at the time when you were so fortunate as to rescue her from the embrace of the dark waters."

"Not a hard case to suppose; and I should not wonder if there were a half dozen such fellows around now."

"Confine your attention to my supposition, if you please. I allude to a single person."

"This single person is madly in love with Miss Lynmore. Without her sinile, her heart, and her hand, he will die; he cannot live without her; death is his only refuge, if she casts him of."

"I should say that it is a hard case for the fellow," added Charlie, when his companion paused, so that his weak intellect should have time to digest the proposition.

"Precisely so; a very hard case," added Fred, impressively.

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"Well, go on, what's the conundrum?" said Charlie, lightly, as though the sufferings of the supposed person did not weigh heavily upon him. "Suppose too, that Miss Lynmore treated him kindly, even tenderly, and that he had a reasonable hope of winning her heart and hand. He is constant and devoted in his attentions to her, and they seem to be welcome to her. In a word, time was rapidly developing her affection for him; and, left to herself, there is no doubt that she will love him as madly as he does her, in a few months, or at most, in a year or two."

"I understand the situation," added Charlie.

"At this time, when all the world understands that this gentleman is devoted to her, and that she looks kindly upon him, Miss Lynmore has the misfortune to fall overboard from her father's yacht."

"Do you suppose this, Fred?"

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"Yes, suppose it. Another gentleman—a very noble and magnanimous young man—by the force of circumstances, rather than by his own choice, is in a favorable situation to assist her. Suppose that he does assist her; nay, that he actually saves her life, according to the general understanding of people. Miss Lynmore is a lady of elevated principles and generous impulses, and she cannot help being grateful to him."

"Then the conundrum is whether or not the fellow that saved her life shall cut out the fellow that is madly in love with her," said Charlie.

"That is the question—whether it is honorable and magnanimous for the hero, taking advantage of ture circumstances, rather than any merit of his own, to persist in throwing himself in Miss Laumana's way, and thus continually reminding

magnanimous for the hero, taking advantage to circumstances, rather than any merit of own, to persist in throwing himself in Miss more's way, and thus continually reminding of her obligation to him." How often does the fellow that saved her call n her?" asked Charlie, a little vexed now at insinuations contained in the supposition." Every week."

"Every week."

"How often does the fellow that is madly in love with Miss Lynmore persist in throwing himself in her way?" demanded Charlie.

"Well—I don't know."

"Suppose it was every day, including Sundays."

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Fred winced.

"I should say that the fellow that is madly in love with her has the inside track; and if she regards him 'tenderly', he will come out all right in the end." continued Charlle.

"Don't you think that it would be honorable and magnanimous if the gentleman who, by a mere accident, was able to render a great service to her, should step out of the way, and not impose himself upon her notice?" asked Fred.

"I think that whole question may be left to Miss Lyamore." replied Charlle. "But I think you had better make it concrete now."

"You dodge the question, Mr. Seagrain," protested Fred, sharply.

"No, I don't. The fellow that is madly in love sees her every day, the other only every week. If she likes him, the other fellow won't interfere."

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"But he does interfere! He does not understand the proprieties of politic society, if he did, he would never see her," said Fred, warmly.

"The fellow that saved her is invited, pressed, and feased, by Miss Lycemore, her father, and her mother, to visit the family oftener than he does."

"No matter for that; if he were noble and magnanimous, he would decline the invitation."

"And behave like a pig to those who really wish to see him, for the sake of obliging a hrainless swell, who hasn't sense enough to know when he is kicked."

"A brainless swell!" gasped Fred. "Do you apply that expression to me?"
"To you? I supposed that you were supposing a case, and I was bringing it down to the reduction ad absurdan," laughed Charlie. "According to your own showing, I don't think the fellow that saved her life is making a very lively use of his opportunities, if he doesn't visit her but once a week."
"Perhaps we had better make the question concrete," added Fred, biting his lip. "I am the gentieman that is madly in love with Miss Lynmore."
"And I am the man that saved her life by accident," added Charlie; "and I have the same opinion of the matter in the concrete that I had in the abstract. I want to say, in the first place, that I am not madly in love with Miss Fanny; and never thought of such a thing."
"Perhaps not; but since you saved her life, she looks with greater favor on you than she does on me."
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"She is a young lady of good taste," chuckled Charlie.
"I am forced to say that you do not maintain your character for magnanimity."
"What would you have me do, Fred?"
"Keep away from the Lynmores."
"For how long?"
"Six months."
"I am willing."
"Do you mean so?" asked Fred, his eyes opening wide.
"Certainly, I do."
"You have made me happy, Charlie!" exclaimed Fred.
"Not yet. Suppose in six months she has not become madly in love with you—what then?"
"It will not be your fault."
Charlie was in malicious good humor; but he felt that his companion ought to have a fair chance. Besides, it galled him to have even Fred think he was thrusting himself into Miss Fanny's presence. He was afraid that others might think he had mercenary motives, and he promised to keep away from the Lynmores for six months, without realizing very clearly what he had done, though he felt that it was a great deprivation for him to do so.
They took the train, and arriving in the city, Charlie reported himself for duty in the counting-room. He was warmly welcomed by most of his associates, and Mr. Cornelius was the most forward in his congratulations. He was quite sure that no taint of dishonor could rest upon his rriend, Mr. Saagrain.
"We have a new man since you left," said the son of his father, indicating the detective, who had already taken a position in the store.
"What does he do?" asked Charlie.
"He takes the place of Seth, I think, and has a soft thing of it. He doesn't seem to be doing much, except looking on," replied Mr. Cornelius, who had no more idea than the others of the nature of the "shadow's" mission; for the knowledge was confined to Mr. Blastwood and Mr. Lynmore.

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nature of the "shadow's" mission; for the knowledge was confined to Mr. Blastwood and Mr. Lynmore.

That night the cash was short over a hundred dollars again. Mr. Subtille, the detective, was as much puzzled as anyone. He was positive that no had opened the cash drawer except the cashier himself. Mr. Cornelius had packed away the sales-books, after the bookseepers had posted them in the lower drawer, but the upper one was locked all the time. The next night, after a very lively day in the cash department, there was a deficit of over two hundred dollars; and on Friday night, it amounted to about the same sum.

"It must be the cashier himself," stormed Mr. Blastwood. "Over five hundred dollars lost in three days!"

"It is very strange," said the shadow. "I haven't obtained a single clue."

"Don't you think it is the cashier?" demanded Mr. Blastwood.

I do not; but I will shadow him, if you desire. Certainly no one else has opened the money-drawer today."

"Shadow him then."

Waen the cashier, apparently much troubled, left the office, he was followed by the messenger; but the man of money went directly to his home. He did not leave it until seven o'clock next morning, and the "shadow" had an eye upon him all the time. Another detective watched the house all day, and when the cashier's wife went to the provision store, every bill that she paid for meat and vegetables was scrutinized by (Continued on page 24.)

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"I am so insanely happy I dare not pinch or shake myself, lest I should wake and find it only a heavenly dream."

He took one of her remarkably beautiful hands, which he had always admired, and where he had placed a broad, heavy band of gold four hours before. Spreading the cold fingers on his warm palm, he lifted them against his cheek, brushed them with his mustache.

"Lovely little snowfiakes; how long I have coveted their touch! And now they are absolutely my very own. Mine forever."

She had been leaning back, but straightened, braced herself, and her breathing was deep and rapid.

"Mr. Noel, do you really love me above everything else?"

He laughed so heartily that she saw the glitter of his fine teeth.

"Do I love you above everything else? You elusive witch! If you will withdraw the embargo of your request—'not yet, please'—I can soon convince you."

His handsome face, radiantly happy, bent close to hers, but she shrank away from him.

"I am your wife now, but—"

She paused, with a strained look in her eyes.

"Yes; my own precious ware at last, thank God."

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He dropped her hand and rese.
"It is hard, indeed, when a man must refuse the first request of his bride; but, my darling, I cannot dishener myself. Such baseness would not prove my low: and it would inevitably arouse your contempt."

She had risen, and as they faced each other under the lamp the swaying carnations almost touched his glossy black head.

Lifting her tightly locked hands in entreaty, her voice vibrated like a lute string rudely swept. "Don't, oh, don't break my heart! Help me to shield my father from shame, and I will bless you as long as I live. I am so wretcheu—the world is going to pieces—and I am clinging to you as the one rock of safety, the sole refuge that will not fail me. If you ever really loved me, oh, Mr. Noel, have mercy on me now!"

His face hardened, and, unwilling to trust his voice, he shook his head. She staggered as iff from a blow, but after a moment her cheeks flamed, and banked fires glowed in her dilated eyes.
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"He never told me. He does not suspect! their existence; because I could not bear that such an additional research their existence; because I could not bear that such an additional sorrow should overtake him. In the dock and I were cognizant of the existence of that box. May I ask how you may be an additional research to the library when you and father came in. The door was open, and through the thin curtain I heard every word every cruel horrible word, that cut my heart. He a dagger. At first, when you spoke of not wishings me to know, I felt I had no right to listen, but some things had long perplexed me, things that father would not explain, and I determined to make an end of mysteries."

All tenderness had vanished from his set face, and his blue-gray eyes watched her much as a judge might a witness on the stand.

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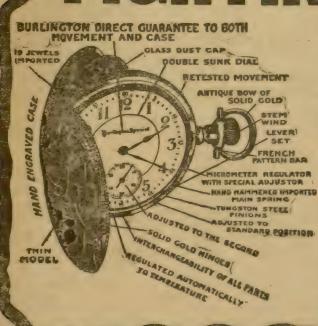
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the clattering roar sounded a verbal truce. When it rushed through a meadow, Mr. Herriott put his hands behind him.

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"Certainly not. I wished to see you at once, and before I met father."

"Your terrible distress and agitation were solely on his account, and not because of my approaching journey?"

"Yes, for father's safety. I was grieved to hear vou were going so far away, but, Mr. Noel, father is my all. When I learned of the exposure threatening him I think I must have gone mad, or I should not have made the ghastly mistake of believing you loved me well enough to help me save him, and—
"Sae paused, silenced by the flash in his syes, the white fury of his face.
"You proposed our marriage solely to find an "Yes, that was my object. I thought you would not deny the prayer of your wife" "Yes, that was my object. I thought you would not deny the prayer of your wife" "Yes, that was my object. I thought you would not deny the prayer of your wife" "You have come to my arms with no more love in your beart than when you refused me years ago?"

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Charlie's Fortune

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In apparently careless stranger. But nothing as discovered to implicate the cashier. On aturday, the shadow was stationed in the priate office of Mr. Leffingwell. It had a ground lass window, which was raised about an half in the prise of the cashier, from the beginning to the lose of business. The cash was short again, bout a hundred dollars, and Mr. Blastwood was a uespair; but he was determined to follow up he investigation.

The second detective who had dogged the steps of the cashier and his wife, was directed by his rincipal to attend to the movements of Mr. ornelius Vanderwent, Jr., but he was cautioned of to interfere or meddle with him, under any reumstances. Mr. Blastwood could hardly give reason for this step, for Mr. Cornelius had cerainly not meddled with the cash. When this entieman left the counting-room just before even o'clock, to keep his engagement with Job leagrain at the beer shop, the shadow was not ar from him; but he handled himself so carelly that he did not allow himself to be seen, ie even placed himself next to the stall in which is victim entered.

Job was in his place sometime before Cornelius natered. The old man was dresseu in his best best with entered. The old man was dresseu in his best best with entered. He looked quite respectable.

"Good morning, Job; I'm glad to see you," said ornelius, as he entered the stall where the ld man was seated.

Job returned the salutation rather coldly.

"Have you done the business, lim:"

"Certainly I have, and Charlie's has been back a his place three days," replied the Vanderwent, heerfully.

"Charlie's gone back, I know; but that don't rove that you spoke to the partners, and told ma all about it," added the uncompromising ysterman.

"But I have, and you are here just in time to see Mr. Leffingwell."

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"But I have, and you are here just in time to the Mr. Leffingwell."
"I am ready to see him."
"But he is going to Europe in the steamer, d has already gone on board."
"Tim Twitterton, you don't fool me!" said the l man, sternly.

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"Tim Twitterton, you don't fool me!" said the old man, sternly.

The shadow in the next stall wondered what this all meant.

"I don't mean to fool you, Job. Mr. Leffingwell wants to see you on board of the steamer; and we will go right down there now. We have plenty of time," said the Vanderwent.

"I'm willin'; but if you try to fool me, you will miss it."

Job and his companon left the beer shop, followed by the shadow. They went down to a North river pier, where a large steamer was all ready to start on her voyage. A crowd of people surrounded her, and there was another crowd on her dock. Draymen and hackmen were driving their teams furiously up and down the wharf, and the scene was one of wild confusion. The Vanderwent conducted the old man to the deck of the steamer, and then below.

"Mr. Leffingwell is in his stateroom," said Mr. Cornelius. "It is No. 42 and we can see him there."

does the steamer sail?" asked Job, rather nervously. "Not yet a while," said the Vanderwent, as he knocked at No. 42.

n," replied a voice within the room, so opened the door and entered, fol-Job.

Cornelius opened the door and entered, followed by Job.

"Mr. Leffingwell, Mr. Seagrain," said Cornelius, introducing the old man.

Job looked at him. The passenger was a man about twenty-five, rather swellish in his dress and manner. The oysterman thought he did not look much like a merchant.

"Mr. Seagrain, I am glad to see you," added Mr. Ieffingwell, extending a great, black, oilstained hand.

Job took it, but somehow he could scarcely believe that such a hand belonged to a drygoods merchant. He was convinced, however, when he saw the name of "Leffinwell" on a trunk in the room.

"Take a seat, Mr. Seagrain," continued the passenger, pointing to a divan. "I am sorry that you did not come before, for I have a great deal to say to you about that boy of yours. He's a fine fellow, and we all like him at the store."

"Thank ye, he's a good boy, and it would break my heart to have things go wrong with him."

"Mr. Vanderwent here has owned up like a man, and it's all right with Charlie now," added Mr. Leffinwell.

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"He's all right now."
"That's all I wish to know," aid Job, rising from the divan.
"Sit down, Mr. Seagrain, I want to talk with you about the boy. I would like you to go down to Sandy Hook with me, and you can return on the tug which goes down with us, or leave with the pilot."

the tug which goes down with us, or leave with the pilot."
"I don't object," said Job.
"But I must return to the store," said Mr. Cornelius, leaving the stateroom, after shaking hands with the passenger.

The Vanderwent went his way to the wharf. closely followed by the shadow. He returned to the desk in the counting-room, and resumed his labors, as though nothing had happened. The shadow could not comprehend what he had seen and heard; and at night, when Mr. Cornelius had gene to bed, he reported it all to Mr. Subtille, his principal. What had been seen and heard appeared to have no commettion with the money lost from the cashler's drawer.

It was Saturday, and that night Charlie went to Oslip, as usual, to spend sanday. It was eight o'clock when he reached home. Job was not there and Betsy Ann was anxious to know what had become of him. Charlie had not seen him. He did not come that night, nor on Sunday, nor on Monday morning when the clerk went to the city.

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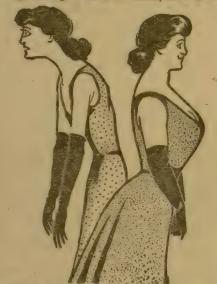
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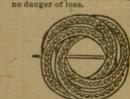
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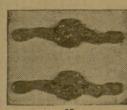
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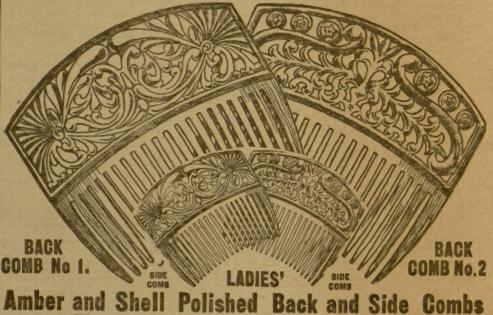
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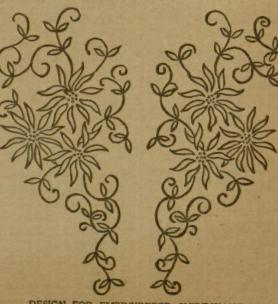
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When He Forgot

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declare, Madie, I—I forgot our trip entirely," cried Gerald Snowe breathlessly, as he ran up the steps to the veranda where Marion Wing had awaited his coming for more than two long hours. He could not have said a more ingives a man for forgetting an engagement.

"It is of no consequence whatever: I did not care so very much about going," she replied coldly, as she tossed a shawl over the conspicuous lunch basket.

"Why—I—I thought you said last night, that you wanted to go to Kidd's Island," he stammered, meeting her frigid look with a puzzled glance. "I came right over as soon as I thought of it. You see I got some splendid specimens last night, and I was classifying them. It took quite a while and I suppose I was rather too interested in my work. It isn't too late to go now, is it?"

"I would just as soon stay at home, thank you," indifferently. "Did I say last night that I was very anxious to go? Ah, well, 'things seen by candle-light do not look the same in the season as the people can. I didn't mean to forget, honestly I didn't, and I have planned on this trip for a week."

"When you were not thinking of bugs and other reptiles," she suggested in a sarcastic way that brought a flush to his face.

"That's just it!" he cried, catching at the straw of defence. "I have to remember them, you see, or my book will be a failure. I have found two new ones since coming here and I'm on track of a fourth, a night flier that is very hard to find; but I am told they sometimes turn up in this vicinity. I have seen but one cut of them, and that was of an imperfect specimen. They are always found near the seashore, and I thought—I hoped "Oh, Gerry, Gerry! You'll never be anything but an enthusiastic naturalist. and I suppose I must forgive you and not spoil my last day here, for we return home tomorrow nig' Yes, we shall go to Kidd's Island. Who knows but we may find a treasure there,

by day;' I suppose you know; and they shouldn't it be the same with words spoken? I might have believed what I said at the mo-

—your elusive bug, or something just as valuable! You notice that I remembered, if you did not," and she uncovered the well filled lunch basket, giving a glimpse of the appetizing viands within.

"That's just like you—you are a dear, Madie, and I promise not to forget a single thing today. What a summer we have had! Who will say that a man and woman cannot be good comrades after this? Not I," he cried merrily, his misdemeanor forgotten as soon as pardoned. Then he took up the lunch basket and shawl and started toward the wharf, where a row of waiting boats floated on the waves.

you and I—on the sea of life," he murmured, resting on his oars, his eyes pleading. The girl looked up with a light, defiant laugh, it is so like a woman to dally with the crisis of her life.

"That would be very nice if we could forget the need of sustenance during the while," she said gaily. But he saw the flush on her face as she turned away. "I must confess that I have a vivid recollection of getting up very early because of an engagement to picnic with a young man. It seems to me that I remember eating a scanty breakfast in my haste to get ready, and that I am now most unromantically hungry."



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